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Out & About This Bank Holiday
For all the Family

**New Vale Council cabinet
is unveiled - see page 8.**

Barry men jailed as part of drugs gang

SIX people were sentenced at Cardiff Crown Court on (Monday, May 20, for their roles in a conspiracy to supply heroin and crack cocaine.

They were charged with conspiring to supply a class A controlled drug - heroin, and conspiring to supply a class A controlled drug - crack cocaine.

The court heard that all six defendants were caught by officers as

part of Operation Red Dragon - an operation to clampdown on the supply of class A drugs in Bridgend and the Vale. This operation forms part of the force-wide Operation Avalanche to tackle criminality in south Wales.

Detective Sergeant Julian Kerslake said: "Operation Red Dragon was a large-scale operation to tackle the supply of class A drugs in Bridgend and the Vale. These defendants are the latest to be

sentenced as part of the operation which sends out yet another clear message that the actions of dealers who target our communities will not be tolerated.

"Ultimately, our aim is to make south Wales a hostile environment for organised crime groups and we are committed to disrupting and dismantling these organisations."

He added: "I'd like to thank the public, whose reporting of concerns and suspicions assisted us in building information against these criminals, and also to thank all the officers involved in the investigation for their work in securing yet another positive outcome."

If anyone has information regarding drug supply in Bridgend or the Vale of Glamorgan area you can contact us on 101 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

The five men jailed were:

- Aishan Hazelwood, 26, from Ely, Cardiff, was sentenced to three years and four months.
- Rhydian Tolcher-James, 32, from Rhooose, was sent to prison for four years and one month.
- Marcus Walsh, 36, from Barry, four years and three months, with a concurrent suspended sentence activated of two months.
- Stephen Haggard, 42, from Barry, four years and six months.
- Adam Beer, 30, from Barry, one year and nine months.
- Charlotte Rzepka, aged 27, also from Barry, received a 16-month suspended sentence.

Pen y Fan is a mountain of fun for St Andrew's Major year-5 pupils!



THERE is no better way to learn about mountains than to climb one, and that is exactly what the year-5 pupils from St Andrew's Major C/W Primary School, Dinas Powys, did.

On a beautiful spring day in May, the intrepid class took on the challenge of climbing Pen y Fan, the highest peak in south Wales.

For many, it was their first experience of climbing a mountain, so when the opportunity arose on a school trip, everyone jumped at the chance. In an impressive 1 hour and 55 minutes, they had conquered the magnificent mountain.

Miss Bush, the year-5 teacher who organised the adventure, said: "We

believed we could do it and we certainly achieved it! It was a thrilling experience that the children will treasure for a lifetime.

"It was a perfect opportunity for the pupils to develop their emotional, physical and social skills as well as overcoming challenges and fully immersing themselves into the world around them."

The pupils felt much the same about their exhilarating experience. One said: "If it wasn't for today, I don't think I'd have ever climbed a mountain."

As the day came to a close, another pupil summed up: "I've never felt so close to nature than I do now."

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*St Andrew's Major Year 5
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'Democracy in the Vale has disappeared'

OUSTED Leader John Thomas and his cabinet have formed a new political group.

That they feel they can retain their power, influence and salaries as councillors - even though no one voted for them as members of their new political group - is unacceptable.

Our councillors should represent the electorate. These people do not - we don't even know what their policies are.

We should all be calling on them to immediately resign and stand for election.

That is democracy.

G M Lloyd, Tredodridge.

A wake-up call for mankind

SIR David Attenborough's recent documentary was 'Climate Change - The Facts' and in it, he said we face irreversible damage and collapse of our societies if we don't act now.

This crisis can unite humanity against a common enemy. It is logical, he argued, to promote the need for a significant reduction in the earth's population.

I have long campaigned for the inoculation of children in the developing world against fatal diseases, advocating a small, voluntary supplement to

people's council tax to fund it.

If the children don't die, African families are like us and would stop at two children. In fact, Africa has the potential to become the bread basket of the world.

Scientists state that there will be more heatwaves and droughts. What we endeavour to do to tackle this universal problem over the next few years will profoundly affect our future. Some intelligentsia believe that with correct planning, these problems can be solved.

A recent article in The Times stated that science points to the existence of God. Perhaps this crisis is 'His' way of giving us a wake-up call.

Godfrey Knight, Barry.

The GEM's bee correspondent to the rescue!

Iwould like to give a huge thank you to your correspondent, Harold Williams of Fonnon Apiary, because he came to my rescue when a small swarm of bees (only 20,000) colonized my compost bin.

I contacted Harold through yourselves and he and his wife Barbara attended very promptly and set up a temporary hive to collect the bees.

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They then took the hive to Duffryn House where there is a training facility for potential beekeepers.

I was very impressed by their prompt response to my problem, their professionalism, efficiency, knowledge and the cheerful approach to the whole process. Thank you Harold and Barbara.

Raymond Morgan

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'Port Road Barry has its own pollution problem'

IAM writing in response to the letter published in The GEM (May 16) by Max Wallis of Friends of the Earth.

Jane Hutt, Andrew RT Davies and Friends of the Earth, I am pleased to say, all put up the fight against the proposed monstrosity of the Barry incinerator.

May they please carry on that fight and stop the incinerator from ever firing up?

What I find hard to comprehend is that the same three people are opposed to building of the new road to the M4 (J34). Don't they realise the

pollution caused along Port Road by the massive amount of traffic now travelling that route must be as bad - if not worse - than the incinerator?

As we are all aware, this route has three schools, a child care centre, a hospital and hundreds of homes.

The new road to the M4 is a must to reduce the traffic travelling along the heavily populated Port Road. We must think of the majority not the minority.

Brian Bishop, Barry

GEM reader clarifies the history of Barry boys secondary schools

IT is somewhat ironic that a recent edition of the Barry GEM should devote a whole section declaring "... misinformation needs to be reined in".

Elsewhere in the same issue, an article on the new building programme for Whitmore High School, states that "The existing school, previously Barry Comprehensive,

was constructed in 1966 ..." - it wasn't!

In September 1966, Barry Boys' Grammar School became Barry Boys' Comprehensive School, following the expansion of comprehensive education by the Labour government of Harold Wilson.

The grammar school moved to the present building in January 1960.

To quote Gwyn Thomas from the 1960 edition of The Barrian: "In the second week of

the second term of the academic year 1959-60, the Barry Grammar School moved its home".

The present Whitmore building was therefore constructed in the late 1950s, not 1966 as stated in your article.

It seems equally ironic that this building

is "beyond economic repair", while the old Boys' grammar school on the corner of Barry Road and Buttrills Road, now the Cherry Orchard, is still standing after 100 years.

Don Geraldo, Vale of Glamorgan

Commemorating 75 years since D-Day and the Normandy Landings

A SHORT service takes place to commemorate D-Day and the Normandy Landings at 2pm on Sunday, June 9 at the Cenotaph in Barry and will include wreath laying and cross planting. Everyone is very welcome to participate or watch.

Also being remembered are Amhem, Monte Casino and Kohima, 75 years ago this year.

Wreaths and crosses are available from the

Royal British Legion, Barry, by contacting Teresa on 07340 220904 and there will also be some available on the day from 12 noon.

Association Standards are very welcome; call to let us know if you are intending to come along.

Youth groups most welcome. Please arrive at 1.40pm and report to a parade marshal.

We are particularly interested to know of any veterans or veterans' families who wish to attend as seats can be reserved near the Cenotaph; call Teresa on 07340 220904 to reserve a seat.

Teresa Goodwin, Royal British Legion, Barry.

Bottle tops help to eradicate polio



Rotary Club representative Paul Cotter (Cardiff East), District Governor Elect Peter Hamilton, Jill Osborne (Barry), Maggie Hughes (Cardiff Breakfast) and David Johns (Cardiff St Davids) help to collect the bottle tops.

ROTARY Clubs in Cardiff and the Vale enjoyed a social evening in the New House Hotel, Cardiff, on May 20.

District governor elect, Peter Hamilton, was delighted to receive donations of milk bottle tops from the clubs which will be recycled and the money received will pay for polio injections for third world countries.

Rotary's pledge for a polio-free world was made in 1985 when there were 125 polio endemic countries and hundreds of new cases every day. By 2017, there were only 22 cases in the entire world but as long as there is one single case anywhere, children everywhere are at risk.

The latest figures for 2019 show that there have been eight new

cases of the wild polio virus since January this year, compared with six in 2018; two were in Afghanistan and six in Pakistan.

There have been four new cases of vaccine-derived polio since January 1, compared with three in 2018, all in Nigeria.

Thanks to Rotary and the support of partners WHO, Unicef, CDC and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, there are now just three countries still classed as endemic; Pakistan, Nigeria and Afghanistan.

To finish the job, over 2 billion doses of oral polio vaccine have to be administered each year in over 60 countries until the world is finally certified polio free.

Rotary intends to honour its pledge to rid the world of polio.

HIGH TIDE TIMES (UNTIL MAY 30)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

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23 Thur	10.12	9.0	22.29	8.8
24 Fri	10.47	8.5	23.11	8.4
25 Sat	11.32	8.1	23.56	7.9
26 Sun	-----	-----	12.22	7.6
27 Mon	00.55	7.6	13.29	7.4
28 Tues	02.07	7.5	14.49	7.4
29 Wed	03.22	7.7	15.55	7.8
30 Thurs	04.18	8.0	16.47	8.1

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should check with a tide table specific to their location.

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Welsh Government calls for an 'environmental statement' on Barry's incinerator— but local campaigners say: 'We still want a full EIA'

THE environmental impacts of Barry's incinerator will be investigated after the Welsh Government said the facility potentially breached the conditions of its planning permission.

Ministers have announced the wood burning facility in Barry Docks was found to have potentially breached its planning permission conditions following an investigation.

The Welsh Government said an 'Environmental Statement' will be needed on the environmental

impacts of the facility to correct this breach.

The statement would "ensure that all of the potential environmental impacts which could arise from the development are collated and that communities have the opportunities to consider and respond to that information".

It comes 15 months after the Welsh Government announced it was "minded" to direct that a formal environmental impact assessment is needed on the Barry Biomass plant in order for its planning permission to be valid.

Vale AM Jane Hutt said: "I know this statement will be widely welcomed by the people of Barry with a fresh consultation on an environmental statement now taking place."

"I am meeting with the minister to discuss the way forward and look forward to these fresh opportunities to present the strong evidence which has been gathered on public concerns regarding the adverse environmental impacts of the proposed biomass plant in my constituency."

Campaigners the Docks Incinerator Action Group (DIAG) said the statement from the Welsh Government is "deliberately unclear" and suggests

the legal requirement for an environmental impact assessment will not be enforced.

The Local Democracy Reporting Service asked the Welsh Government to clarify its statement but received no reply on Thursday, May 16.

DIAG said: "The timing of this misleading announcement seems to have been decided to encourage people not to show their disgust at the lack of action by the Welsh Government."

"Revoking the permit and the planning permission is the only way to return to the residents of Barry the proper level of protection."

The Welsh Government's statement says it "continues to consider" whether an EIA will be directed on the plant.

Barry Biomass is aiming to be fully operational in the next couple of months.

DIAG have called for the environmental permit of the incinerator to be revoked following four breaches of the permit in March 2018.

In March last year DIAG complained of black smoke coming, from the plant's chimney drifting across Barry. The facility was undergoing pre-commissioning and testing its equipment.

An investigation found a number of minor breaches against the company's permit and the company was given a formal warning by Natural Resources Wales.

Caitriona Harvey, industry and waste regulation team leader for Natural Resources Wales, said: "NRW continues to regulate the site in accordance with the conditions of the permit. Currently, the plant is non-operational."

Barry Biomass hopes to receive a subsidy from energy regulator Ofgem – although a decision on this has yet to be made.

A Barry Biomass spokeswoman said: "The Barry Biomass Project has been subject to extensive reviews and reporting over the past decade."

"Biomass UK No.2 Ltd has volunteered to the

Welsh Government that it will conduct a review of this body of work in order to demonstrate that there has, at all applicable times, been full compliance with environmental-related legislation.

"Biomass UK No.2 Ltd welcomes the opportunity to correct any misunderstandings that may have arisen in relation to the project."

Matt Discombe
Local democracy reporter

Barry poet has an international summer ahead



BARRY poet John Eliot will be busy this June, appearing at two festivals.

First, he has been invited to the 'Return Journey' festival in Swansea on Saturday, June 1, an event celebrating 30 years of Clyne Farm.

The festival features music and family-orientated activities, and John will be doing a poetry workshop and reading his work, as will authors Alan Gibbard and Mark Rees.

John has also been invited to the Salerno Festival in Italy, which runs from June 14 to June 20, where a selection of his poetry will

be translated into Italian by students from the university.

John has appeared at the Barry Friendship Tree Festival, the St Clementin Festival in France and at Angers photographic festival, where he was asked to produce poems inspired by the photographs of Laurence Millet. Last year, he read in Madeira, where he also made a television appearance.

John has three collections published, *Ssh, Don't Go* and *Turn On The Dark*, published by Mosaic Press and all are available from good bookshops and the usual online stores.

U3A experience 'annoying use of English'

JOHN Richard, a voluntary archivist for the Welsh National Opera and former teacher of English as a foreign language, gave a talk to members of the Barry U3A entitled 'Annoying Use of English in Everyday Speech'.

He started by saying that he was a lover of the English language but did admit to probably being the original grumpy old man and a pedant where it was concerned.

It is a difficult subject, because there are many who believe that English is a 'living' language and therefore pretty much anything goes as long as it is understandable.

The Oxford English Dictionary continues to

add many new words every year and John said that speech was a communication that develops and evolves with constant usage and is adjusted it as we go along, depending on the recipient.

Until very recently, most people ignored spelling rules. Shakespeare added many new words to the English language and certainly did not concern himself with how words were spelt, including his own surname.

Samuel Johnson published his Dictionary of the English Language in 1755, but we don't know how English actually sounded before about 1850.

It has been suggested that it probably was nearer to the American twang than today's perceived English pronunciation.

There were so many regional dialects in the 1800s, some of which still exist today. A 'hat' sounds more like a 'hit' in Australia and New Zealand for example, let alone the different ways to say it in the UK with or without the 'h'.

John's particular talent is listening to radio/TV interviews and counting the number of times a cliché is used.

He also counts the number of adverbs ending in 'ly' such as 'basically', 'hopefully' or 'absolutely'.

The next meeting is the AGM on Monday, June 3 at 2pm in Bethel Baptist Church Hall, Harbour Road, on the roundabout in Park Crescent. Call Christine on 01446 701537 for further information.

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Community choir sings out for Barry RNLI



Vale Mayor's 'thank you' to Barry Rotary Club



Vale Mayor Cllr Leighton Rowlands presents the cheque to Barry Rotary Club.

BARRY Rotary Club, which organises a variety of events to raise funds to support local and international causes, recently received a donation from the charity foundation of the Vale Mayor, Cllr Leighton Rowlands.

The club plans to use the money to increase the number of events it hosts and is hoping to increase its membership.

Cllr Rowlands said: "It was great to welcome Barry Rotary Club to my office to present the cheque. When I was young, I remember the club

doing the fireworks and they were amazing then, just as they are now. So for me personally, it was a 'thank you' to them for their dedicated work. Long may it continue.

"This is what the mayor's foundation is for – to help small organisations get well known within the community because without them, we wouldn't have the great events they put on."

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This was the debut of the choir's new casual shirts for wearing at less formal performances, and the choir would like to thank Paul Bliss for the design and Tony Peters of Vinylize for the printing and production.

If you would like to come and listen and/or join in, we rehearse in Crossway Methodist Church, corner of Court Road and Crossways Street, Barry, every Wednesday from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. For more information, visit our website or Facebook page (just type in "Barry Community Choir") or if you would like to speak to a choir member, call 01446 748724.

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New Greggs to open

GREGGS is to open a new shop in Barry on Thursday, May 23.

The new shop, at 1 Paget Road, will have seating for customers wishing to eat in.

The shop will employ seven people.

Katherine Lewis, shop manager at Paget Road, said: "We can't wait to open our doors and hear what the local community thinks. We hope customers enjoy the wide range of tasty items we have on offer."

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Eastbrook Station misses out on funding chance



Local residents and councillors say Eastbrook Station needs to be upgraded and a new footbridge installed to help people with mobility issues.

EASTBROOK train station in Dinas Powys will not be getting funding in the immediate future for a new footbridge with improved access for those with mobility problems.

Residents had hoped that the Department of Transport's £300m 'Access for All' programme might deliver the necessary funds.

Local MP Alun Cairns said: "I am very disappointed that the Welsh Government has overlooked Eastbrook again, in that it wasn't included in their request to the Department for Transport. I will now speak directly to the Department for Transport to ensure that Eastbrook is central to our plans in the next round of funding."

Local councillors, who have been campaigning for improved facilities at Eastbrook, say they are frustrated.

Dinas Powys community councillor Chris Franks said: "Eastbrook is particularly difficult for people with walking difficulties or for people with little children because the footbridge is so steep."

"When Plaid submitted a bid for improvements at Eastbrook, we pointed out that although passengers could travel in one direction, to either Cardiff or Barry, the return journey could cause problems; the struggle continues."

Fellow Plaid community councillor Richard Grigg said Wales had suffered

from "a massive lack of investment in rail services" and Eastbrook was one more example of it.

An Eastbrook resident contacted The GEM recently to say the area needed a new bridge not only to help disabled people, but also because improved facilities would encourage people to use the train service rather than cars which cause congestion in the village.

A Welsh Government spokesperson said Eastbrook was still in line for funding: "Eastbrook Station was included in the long list of priority nominations to the UK Government put forward by the rail industry and endorsed by the Minister for Economy and Transport Ken Skates."

"We have continually pressed the UK Government to put right the unacceptable inaccessibility of too many of our stations following years of under-investment. The Minister is disappointed the remaining priorities were not committed by the UK Government for funding and is continuing to make the case for these priorities in the forthcoming round of nominations for mid-tier 'Access for All' funding."

"He is also prepared to consider making further support available, following £10 million within the Transport for Wales Station improvement programme as match funding for UK Government investment."

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School will present main prize at Urdd Eisteddfod



The chair will be awarded to the best bard. YSGOL Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg has sponsored the main prize at this year's Eisteddfod in Cardiff Bay.

The chair is a prize given to the best bard at the Eisteddfod under the age of 25 and is one of the most important competitions in the Urdd Eisteddfod's week.

The chair will be presented in the 'chairing of the bard' ceremony on Thursday, May 30, in the Donald Gordon Theatre in the Wales Millennium Centre at 4pm.

Skilled carpenter Iolo Puw from Parc near Bala, Gwynedd, created the chair this year from a wind fallen oak tree at Gwersyll yr Urdd Glan-llyn.

He said: "I was fortunate to have been presented with a carthen 'Cysgodion y Paith' (Shadows of the Paith) to cover the seat by Welsh designer Cefyn Burgess. The warm colour of the oak contrasts beautifully with the harsh black and white line pattern of the cloth."

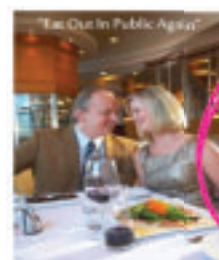
Hywel Price, head teacher at Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg, said: "It is a privilege for us to present the chair to the Urdd Eisteddfod this year, as the festival visits our area. There is a real buzz surrounding the Urdd and Eisteddfod activities here at the school. The organisation offers our pupils extra-curricular Welsh language activities and there is a great deal of excitement to competing at the festival, showcasing the school's work at Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg's stand on the field and enjoying the whole event!"

The Eisteddfod will have free entry for all visitors this year and the school will have a stall in the Roald Dahl Plass. As part of the stall, various activities will be held each day, including free gigs and arts session for children. The school will also compete in over

30 competitions and has already tasted success in the homework, cooking and art competitions.

If you wish to visit the Eisteddfod, it runs from May 27 to June 1 in Cardiff Bay. Free entry for all, or tickets for the pavilion and prelims can be bought at <https://www.wmc.org.uk/en/whats-on/2019/urdd-national-eisteddfod-2019/> or on the day at Wales Millennium Centre.

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Coalition takes over at Vale Council

CLLR Neil Moore has been appointed as the Leader of the Vale Council following a vote at the local authority's Annual Meeting on May 20.

A new cabinet was subsequently appointed by the Leader, which is as follows:

- Deputy Leader and cabinet member for education and regeneration, Cllr Lis Burnett.

- Cabinet member for housing and building services, Cllr Margret Wilkinson.

- Cabinet member for neighbourhood services and transport, Cllr Peter King.

- Cabinet member for social care and health, Cllr Ben Gray.

- Cabinet member for leisure, arts and culture, Cllr Kathryn McCaffer.

- Cabinet member for legal, regulatory and planning services, Cllr Edward Williams.

Cllr Moore said: "I am very proud to lead



(Left to right, back): Cllr Peter King, Cllr Neil Moore, Cllr Edward Williams, Cllr Ben Gray; (front): Cllr Lis Burnett, Cllr Margaret Wilkinson, Cllr Kathryn McCaffer.

an administration with a cabinet that is fully representative of the people of the Vale and which is both gender and geographically balanced.

"Our priorities are simple. We want to protect local people and services from the impact of austerity and ensure that no area of the Vale

is left behind.

"While doing this we will strive to increase engagement with local people to ensure they have a real say in the future of their communities and the services the council delivers."

The new cabinet is made up of four Labour members, Cllrs, Moore,

King, Burnett and Wilkinson, while Cllr Williams is a Llantwit First Independent.

Cllrs Gray and McCaffer were appointed to the previous Conservative cabinet in March, and are now members of the Vale Independent Group.

New chairmen for four of the Council's five scrutiny committees were also appointed at the meeting. These are as follows:

- Corporate Performance and Resources, Cllr Mark Wilson (Labour).

- Environment and Regeneration, Cllr Bronwen Brooks (Labour).

- Healthy Living and Social Care, Cllr Rachel Nugent-Finn (Conservative).

- Learning and Culture, Cllr Gordon Kemp (Conservative).

A chairman for the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee will be appointed at the next meeting of the committee.

A full list of chairmen and vice chairmen for the quasi-judicial committees and local authority champions will be published online at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk later this week.

Coalition plans to usher in a period of 'grown up politics'

AFTER two years of a turbulent Vale Council, I am very pleased to be writing to GEM readers as Leader of the Vale Council once again.

When I was asked if I would consider taking on the role for a second time I must admit I did have to give it serious consideration.

However, after talking to people I respect and of course my long suffering wife, Anne, I decided that I would put myself forward for the role.

I did this for the same reason that I became a councillor back in 1988 - because I wanted to serve my community. Something that I am as passionate about today, as I was all those years ago.

This time I put myself forward for Leader as part of a new coalition and I did so in the knowledge that all those who make up our new group agree on one fundamental thing; that this council has to make the right and proper decisions for the benefit of all residents of the Vale.

The main aim of the coalition between Labour, Vale Independents and Llantwit Major First Independents is protecting the people and services of the Vale. Our intention is to



Cllr Neil Moore.

work across the council chamber to find a way forward that reflects that aim.

Of course, no one takes this job on for glory or praise and I am well aware of what lies ahead. We will undoubtedly have to take some difficult decisions. Where we do, those decisions have to be made for the good of the many and not the few - to quote an expression currently being banded about.

The new cabinet and I believe that in order to do this we need new grown-up politics where people who usually wouldn't work together, do so for the benefit of the people and communities we serve. For this and many other reasons this is an exciting, yet difficult time.

I would like to thank Cllr John Thomas for his work as Leader over the last two years. I know just how hard the role can be. As he said

in the chamber earlier this month, it is far from easy to protect council services amid the cuts to local government funding.

I know that John did not take up the position of Leader to be popular or further his own political ambitions, but instead to ensure Vale residents get the best possible services.

I now begin my term as Leader in that same spirit.

It is clear that we must remember that there are many vulnerable members of our society who rely on council services. We must protect them at all costs.

That will be my priority.

It is also clear that we must take the opportunity to pause, take stock and where necessary reconsider some decisions that have already been taken. Where this is the case our approach will be to engage with local people so they have a real say in the future of their communities and the services they receive.

Once again, I would like to thank those who have shown such confidence in my ability to do this job. I am very grateful for this and hope that when the current council term comes to an end, our new coalition administration will have a record that repays this faith.

The heat is on crime this summer

IN the summer months we often see an increase in incidents of anti-social behaviour in Barry Island, which is why we are carrying out a multi-agency operation during this period.

Operation Summer started on Barry Island over the May Bank Holiday period and neighbourhood officers are taking a zero tolerance approach to anyone who attends the resort with the intention of causing problems and spoiling the area for families who wish to enjoy the seaside during the coming months.

As part of the operation, an increase in high-visibility patrols will take place throughout the summer months and will be heightened during holiday periods and weekends.

We work closely with our partners in Safer Vale, Trading Standards, Licensing and British Transport Police, to ensure Barry Island maintains its appeal as a family destination.

This includes raising awareness of the 'No Alcohol Zones' and dealing swiftly and effectively with any anti-social behaviour.

A full investigation into the disorder involving a large group of youths during the Easter Bank Holiday period is continuing. A 15-year-old boy has been arrested on suspicion of affray and



by Chief Inspector for the Vale, Tony Williams

has been released under investigation. A number of suspects have been identified and enquiries are ongoing into this incident.

The Penarth Community Alcohol Partnership was launched at an event on Thursday, May 9, in the Paget Rooms, Penarth.

It is being set up in a bid to tackle underage drinking around Penarth Town Centre and aims to educate the public on the impact underage drinking has on communities.

The Penarth Neighbourhood Policing Teams have been working with partners to address underage drinking and associated anti-social behaviour and through this initiative we hope to find a long term solution to this issue.

Cadoxton pupils help local conservation project



CADOXTON Conservation Group was delighted to visit Cadoxton Primary School recently to involve the children of the community in its latest additions to Little Hill Green.

The group had purchased bird boxes to

place in the trees around the green, and the children and staff helped paint them in bright colours.

A spokesperson for Cadoxton Conservation Group explained: "Studies have shown that birds' response to colour is far greater than ours. Birds, like bees, have four colour receptive cones, while our eyes

only have three. Birds are also able to see well in ultraviolet and this produces a change in colour perception that humans cannot appreciate.

"We look forward to welcoming the children to the green to see where the boxes have been sited."

Lynnette Knight, chairman of the group, hopes more children will visit the green soon to enjoy not only the bird boxes and wild flowers, but also the bug hotel which will be installed shortly.

The group holds regular litter picks and invites the children of the community to join in. All equipment is provided so keep an eye on the website cadoxtonconservationgroup.org.uk or the group's Facebook page for details of upcoming events.

Freemasons to the rescue!

A LOCAL Tai Chi group, who are offering free sessions on a Sunday morning on Barry Island, were suffering from repeated vandalism and had their banner advertising their sessions damaged and destroyed.

One of their members,

Karl Butler, a local freemason, approached his Lodge and secured a £50 donation to the group to replace their banner.

The group is flourishing and is well attended, but needed the banner to advertise their sessions and attract new people.

The group wish to thank Porthkerry Lodge for their generous support.

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New coalition will face opposition from 'former colleagues'

THE Vale Council meeting that saw a new coalition take charge also gave a few clues about issues that promise to be contentious in the future.

The Conservatives, under new leader Cllr Vincent Bailey, had put forward a manifesto for a minority administration. Plaid Cymru councillor Ian Johnson was also put forward for the leadership of the council.

The results of the vote were 26 for Cllr Moore, 14 for Cllr Bailey, three for Cllr Johnson and two abstentions.

This meant that the coalition of Labour, the Vale Independent Group (made up of Conservatives who have now left the party) and the Llantwit Major First independents were able to name a new cabinet (see article on this page).

Cllr Bailey had pledged the

Conservatives would revisit the proposed parking charges, protect rural schools (in particular Llancarfan Primary), deliver the Dinas Powys Bypass between Cardiff and Barry, review the council's local development plan and keep council tax hikes down.

In comments directed to the new Vale Independents, he said: "I never, in my wildest dreams, imagined that I would look across the chamber to a Labour group and see it working hand in hand with centuries of accumulated Conservative party membership."

"I hope that if we are unsuccessful this evening, that Cllr Moore will have greater success than I have had in persuading my former colleagues of the virtues of policies that until a few days ago at least I felt sure that we shared common cause."

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Two sisters take on 20 charity challenges in aid of Macmillan for 2020 in their mum's memory

Pictured (left to right): Rachel Lewis, Verity Pyke, Emily Pyke, Lauren Turner and Theo Pyke.

TWO south Wales sisters have pledged to do 20 challenges for 2020 for Macmillan to mark 20 years since they lost their mother to breast cancer.

Sisters Lauren Turner of Bridgend and Verity Pyke of Cardiff, want the public's ideas for their 20 fundraising challenges for Macmillan Cancer Support in memory of their mother Susan Turner, who died in 2000.

So far, the pair's challenges include a family climb up Pen-y-Fan, a zipwire and climbing the O2

Arena in London. Their challenges will finish with a skydive, when the sisters will face their fear of flying.

Teacher and mother-of-two Verity (36), said: "Mum died not long after Mother's Day and so the anniversary and Mother's Day being close always made it a more difficult time.

"Since becoming a mum myself, this has changed a little but I still feel mixed emotions as I can't help thinking about my relationship with my children and how sad I am my mum never met them, as well as all the things I never got to experience with her.

"With the 20th anniversary coming up next year, I suggested to Lauren it may be nice to commemorate it in a positive way instead of it being dreaded with sadness.

"Things tend to escalate when we get together and we decided to let people donate money to challenge us, with our last challenge being the biggest we could think of!"

As well as fundraising challenges, the sisters are also planning to volunteer at Amelia Trust Farm in the Vale, which their mother loved. They have chosen to raise money for Macmillan.

Lauren (34), a trainee quantity surveyor from Brackla, said: "My mum was diagnosed with breast cancer which spread to her bones, and she passed away when I was 15 years old.

"This had a massive effect on me, spending most of my teenage years seeing my mum's health worsen and then facing life without her has been very tough. The biggest thing that got me through was the support of my family and friends.

"Celebrating mum's life with them and sharing stories about her I think is the perfect way to see in next year, which will be our 20th year without her.

"Often you find yourself focusing on the negatives of not having Mum with us, but I am looking forward to celebrating the time we did have together and raising money for a good cause."

The sisters are paying for the 20 challenges themselves with all donations going to Macmillan. They have set up a Facebook group for their 20420



challenge, where people can donate towards their challenges and also share their stories.

Richard Pugh, head of services for Macmillan Cancer Support in Wales, said: "Macmillan would like to say a huge thank you to Verity and Lauren for taking on these challenges so we can be there for people with cancer and their loved ones.

"Macmillan is here to help everyone with cancer to live their life as fully as they can, thanks to incredible fundraisers like Verity and Lauren. Anyone who needs our support can call us free on 0800 808 0000."

People can challenge Verity and Lauren, or donate towards their challenges, by visiting www.justgiving.com/20420.

Family pays tribute to accident victim

THE family of a truly passionate about football, he would still play at the age of 63, even if it took three days to recover. During those recovery days, he would revel in the opportunity to watch his favourite sport on TV.

Leighton Maurice (63), died at the scene of the two-vehicle collision which happened between Culverhouse Cross and Leekwith at approximately 4.45pm.

Paying tribute, his family said: "We as family are shocked and saddened by what has happened. Leighton was a gentleman through and through; kind, caring and full of jokes.

"After his family, music was his everything. That was closely followed by his horticultural talents and next year we hoped to exhibit at Chelsea Flower Show, something he would have loved.

"He was proud yet humble. Leighton was

grieved to the point where he was numb with grief.

"We would like to thank those who fought so valiantly at the scene to save Leighton and ask that we are now given our privacy to grieve as a family."

South Wales Police is continuing to investigate the collision, and any witnesses who have not yet provided their details to officers are asked to contact 101, quoting occurrence 1900175776. Any motorists with dashcam footage are also urged to contact police.

Trips galore for Friends and Neighbours!

FRIENDS and Neighbours have had a very hectic May so far.

On a trip to Hay on Wye and Hereford, the morning was spent in the market town (famous for its books), on a visit to the local church, St Mary's, and to see the renovation of Hay on Wye Castle.

In the afternoon, it was a trip to Hereford with time to look around the many black and white buildings and attractive gift shops.

The May meeting at Beryl Road Pioneer Hall was well attended with a few new members being made welcome. Entertainment was provided by Porthkerry Community Choir with songs being sung 'a cappella,' with drums and tambourines providing some of the music.

Many of the members participated by playing the percussion instruments.

A vote of thanks was given and a collection was donated to the choir's charity, the Friendship Tree Festival. Wales and West Utilities then gave a talk on the detection of carbon dioxide.

The month ended with a visit to the Wales Millennium Centre to see *Joseph and His*

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EIGHT former Conservative Vale councillors who walked away from their party to join a coalition with Labour do not plan to fight by-elections, their leader has said.

Cllr Ben Gray, who leads the new independent group, said none of the eight former Tories intended to resign their seats.

The Vale of Glamorgan Conservatives have said they will actively campaign for the councillors to face by-elections.

The defections came after the Vale Council Leader at the time, Cllr John Thomas, lost the leadership of the Vale of Glamorgan Conservatives to Cllr Vincent Bailey in an election by councillors.

A new Vale Council administration has now been formed by Labour, Llantwit First Independents and the new Vale Independents Group.

Cllr Gray said the "Conservative group left me" after what he saw as a change in policy direction when

Cllr Bailey took over as group leader.

Among Cllr Bailey's commitments was to push ahead with plans for the Dinas Powys bypass between Barry and Cardiff, but Cllr Gray said he would not have won his ward of Plymouth in Penarth if that had been the party policy in the last election.

He said: "I don't think any of us are intending to face by-elections. I will absolutely engage with voters in my ward and explain the decision I have made and at the next election they will have the opportunity to tell me whether I'm right or wrong."

"I won't put the council through the additional cost of putting an election on when I don't think it's necessary. None of them are intending to resign their seats."

Cllr Bailey said: "Voters across the

Vale comprehensively rejected Neil Moore's Labour administration, particularly in the Plymouth ward where Cllr Gray won precisely because he stood as a Conservative.

"This is a question of democracy. An election result has been overturned and the previous administration resurrected. We have had a flood of emails from residents asking how they can be removed from their positions on the council."

"The bottom line is that they should have the courage to put this decision to the people – and we will be actively campaigning in this Conservative Ward for a by-election so that Plymouth residents can have their say."

Matt Discombe,
Local democracy
reporter

Haribo is a sweet boy looking for a home

**Haribo with Canine Carer Hannah.**

HARIBO is an 18-month-old cross-breed who is a sweet boy but can be a little worried in new situations, so new owners will need to build up his confidence slowly once in a home.

He gets on well with other dogs and could live with another dog already established in the home.

Haribo is looking for a quiet, adult only home where he is given time and space to settle in. He is used to having human

company during the day, so new owners will need to gradually build up the time being left.

Canine carer Hannah said: "Haribo is very playful and once he knows you, is very affectionate. Once settled in the home, Haribo's personality will shine through."

For more information on Haribo, visit the Dogs Trust Rehoming Centre in Bridgend, CF31 4NG; or give us call on 01656 725219. You can also visit our website at www.dogstrust.org.uk.

Rugby World Cup appeal in Penarth

AFTER the amazing achievements of the Welsh rugby team in winning the Grand Slam, all eyes are beginning to turn to the Rugby World Cup in September – and that includes the Oxfam shop in Penarth!

The shop is planning on having a large window display of rugby memorabilia ready for sale for the start of the World Cup and is appealing for donations from GEM readers.

Shop manager Caroline Mumford said: "We thought of the idea of celebrating the start of the Rugby World Cup as soon as Wales won the Grand Slam."

"We would like to appeal to everyone to consider donating any rugby-related items to the shop to ensure the window display is as attractive as possible and to raise funds for Oxfam's work at home and abroad."

"We are looking for donations of rugby books of any kind, programmes, rugby shirts, shorts and caps, rugby commentary records, badges, old ticket stubs, Groggs, etc."

"While our main focus will be on Welsh items and the display will be predominantly red, we would welcome donations relating to any national rugby

teams that will be at the tournament."

The shop plans to have the items on display and for sale on Friday, September 20 – the day of the opening match of the tournament.

In addition to rugby items, the shop continues to welcome donations of vinyl records of any kind as well as books, clothes and bric-a-brac.

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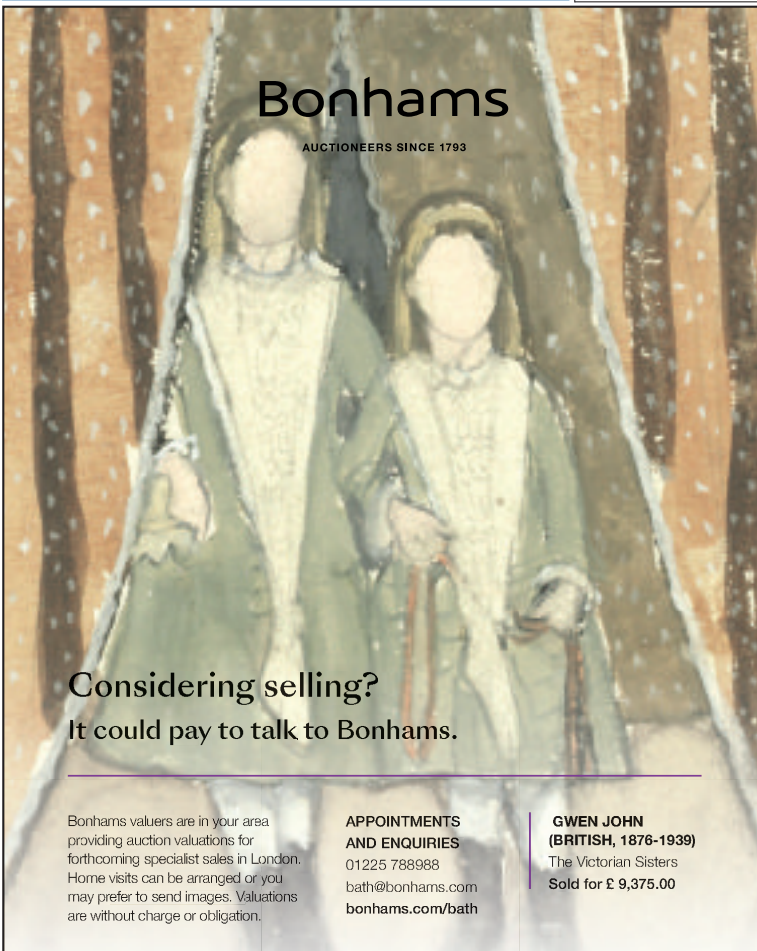
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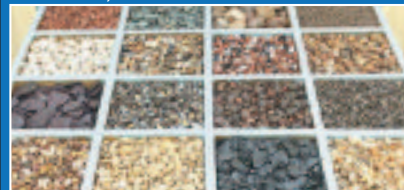
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ESU members learn about the 'real Wallis Simpson'

LEFT: Stephen Purcell, Anna Pasternak, Derek Morgan.



Clive Johnson; Sally Johnson; Julia Kelsall; Elaina Powell; Eddie Rabaiotti; Robert Powell.

THE 200 members of the south Wales branch of the English-Speaking Union who attended the latest lunch were regaled with a talk by Anna Pasternak which matched content with fluency.

Anna, the great niece of Boris Pasternak, has maintained the family tradition of story telling and her recently published book *Untold: The Real Wallis Simpson, Duchess of Windsor* describes the abdication of King Edward VIII and his marriage to Wallis Simpson, a passage of events which has been told so many times that it has taken on the character of a fairy tale.

Anna argues that, like fairy tales, much of what we are repeatedly told is in fact make-believe and that Wallis was not the manipulative, self-seeking schemer who sought to become Queen but rather a modern, intelligent and warm personality who pleaded with Edward not to abdicate.

However, she did not bargain for Edward's self-absorbed, possessive and stubborn love for her and his absolute refusal to give her up.

Anna's detailed research, which included in-depth interviews with friends of Wallis, has forged a passionate belief that Wallis is one of history's most misjudged women and this

book is directly aimed at putting matters right.

While not all members of the audience were convinced with regard to this view on Wallis Simpson, there was unanimous praise for the enthralling presentation which was delivered without a note and with fascinating details of misdemeanours and melodrama.

The next event is the lecture by General Sir Richard Shirreff, former Deputy Supreme Commander Europe at the Atrium, Cardiff on the evening of Thursday, June 13: details from Derek Morgan, branch chairman on 01656 669126; email esuswb@googlemail.com.

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Tea's up as a Pontcanna care home invites the community to open day

A Cardiff care home is extending a warm welcome to everyone in the community as it opens its doors for a special Cream Tea afternoon later this month.

Staff and residents at Tŷ Llandaff, a private nursing, residential and respite care home, will be welcoming visitors to join them for an afternoon get-together on Friday, May 31 from 2.30pm.

Tŷ Llandaff in Conway Road in Pontcanna, which was once voted by The Sunday Times as one of the top 30 places to live in the UK, will be hosting guests for tea and homemade cakes in one of its delightful lounges in the home.

As well as enjoying afternoon tea, visitors will be able to go on a tour of the extensive facilities at the home which includes a piano bar, hair salon, spa and therapy rooms, specialist on-site gym, home cinema room, beautiful accessible gardens,



and celebration room which is used for private family occasions, as well as luxurious en-suite bedrooms.

Tŷ Llandaff, which offers all-inclusive living and caters for up to 72 residents, was built on the former St Winefride's Hospital site alongside Portabella's stylish development of 33 city centre apartments, and opened in January 2017.

It was named in the Top 20 Recommended Care Homes in Wales by UK care home website carehome.co.uk in 2017 and 2018 and has a perfect 10.0 score based on reviews.

The open day will offer members of the

community the chance to see what is on offer at the care home, as well as giving residents the chance to meet and socialise with lots of new people.

Melanie Geoghegan, activities co-ordinator of Tŷ Llandaff, said: "We love hosting an event like this, as our residents really enjoy seeing new faces and having the chance to welcome people into our home."

"We decided to have a cream tea afternoon as we want people to stay around and chat over a cup of tea and piece of cake to find out what it's like living at Tŷ Llandaff, and what we offer."

"We are really lucky

to have such lovely facilities, and we are also proud of our busy and varied activities programme."

"We design everything we do here around the needs and preferences of our residents and we are hoping that our visitors will enjoy having a glimpse into what life here is like here – everyone is welcome!"

For more information about Tŷ Llandaff, call 02920 600 100, email info@tyllandaffcare.com or visit tyllandaffcare.com.

Everest rugby match breaks world record



Rugby players from the UK set a world record when they played the 'highest rugby match in history' on the East Rongbuk Glacier in the shadow of Everest.

WELSH legend Shane Williams was part of an Everest challenge team who broke the world record for the highest ever rugby match in history.

The event was organised by Wooden Spoon – rugby's charity for children. The full contact 'Rugby Sevens' game was played

at 6,331m, on the East Rongbuk Glacier near Everest Advanced Base Camp, and drawn 5-5. The organisers even managed to set up rugby posts there.

The challenge has already raised over £250,000 which will help fund charitable projects for disadvantaged youngsters across the UK and Ireland.

Shane Williams said: "In

arguably the world's most spectacular setting for a rugby match but also in the most inhospitable conditions, the game was incredibly tough."

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Admission will be 50p and refreshments are available. The club holds meetings twice a month on Monday evenings at the centre, starting at 7.30pm.

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Walks last around two hours and all start at 7pm from the woods entrance at the junction of Mill Road and Millbrook Road, Dinas Powys. The walks are organised by Dinas Powys Community Council and use local footpaths to explore the beautiful woods and fields around Dinas Powys.

Walkers are reminded that good stout footwear,

preferably boots, are essential and that a walking stick might come in handy for any steep or slippery paths.

Walks leader, Geraint Thomas, said: "We had fine weather last year, and good numbers of walkers came out to enjoy the countryside, so I am hoping for more of the same this year. "For our first walk this year we will visit the Salmon Leaps at Michaelston Le Pit, returning through Dinas Powys Village Square where many walkers will no doubt stop for a well-earned drink in one of the local hostellers."

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What's on, and where?

Age Connects
DO you own your own home and are interested in advice on Equity Release?

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale are holding a drop in information on Tuesday, May 28 at Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry, from 10am to 12 noon. Contact 01446 732385 for further information.

Help wildlife

THE next meeting of Barry Action for Nature will be held on Wednesday, May 29 at the Highlight Park Community Centre at 5.50pm.

The meeting is open to all those concerned about the loss of local wildlife. The conservation group's aim is to make Barry a greener, more wildlife-friendly town. Annual membership costs just £3.

Horticultural Society

THE next meeting of the Llantwit Major Horticultural Society will be held on Wednesday, May 29 at Llantwit Major at 7.30pm, when the speaker will be talking about 'Stunning dahlias for your garden'; all welcome.

Welfare rights

DO you live in the Vale and need some advice or help on benefits such as pension credit,

attendance allowance, housing benefit or disability living Allowance?

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale run a free Welfare Rights Service to help with these issues. An adviser from Age Connects Welfare Rights Service will be available on Tuesday, June 4 from 9.30am to 11.30am at Age Connects Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry. No appointment is needed; contact 01446 732385 for further information.

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Art Society

ON Thursday, May 23, Cowbridge Art Society (CAS) will hold an illustrated lecture by Stella Lyons on 'The Eccentricity Effect: Does knowledge of an artist's life affect how we perceive their work?'

On June 6, Cotswold artist Rupert Aker will give a

demonstration of the use of the palette knife with oils.

CAS welcomes artists of any level, and non artists who would like to see demonstrations or attend illustrated lectures.

The group meets on Thursday evenings at the Old Hall, Cowbridge (7pm-9pm) and occasional visitors new members are welcome. For details of the society's programme and activities, collect a programme from the Old Hall, or see www.facebook.com/cowbridgeartsociety or Instagram/cowbridgeartsociety.

St Nicholas Community AGM

THE AGM of St Nicholas (Barry) Community Association will be held at St Nicholas Hall, St Nicholas Road, Barry on Tuesday, June 18 at 10am.

Anyone with an interest in using St Nicholas Hall or members of the organisation are welcome to attend.

NFU Ladies

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Third John Wick outing delivers action galore!

MAN goes after Russian mobsters who killed his dog – it's the sort of synopsis you would expect to see from a straight-to-DVD thriller starring Vinnie Jones.

However, that set-up for Keanu Reeves action film *John Wick* set in chain a success that has only kept growing. The first film was a critical and commercial success, the second one less so, which meant the chances of a third arriving were pretty high – thankfully given that the conclusion of part two left things on somewhat of a cliffhanger.

John Wick: Chapter 3 Parabellum (which is Latin for 'prepare for war') picks up just moments after the end of chapter two, which saw John being given an hour to escape New York after a \$14 million bounty was placed on his head for breaking the cardinal rule of killing someone in *The Continental*.

Now the target of hit-men and hit-women everywhere, John must discover who he can trust – and who he can't – and try to escape in the most precarious situation he has found himself in yet...

Over the last two *John Wick* films, not only has Keanu Reeves re-established himself (at the grand old age of 54) as an action star, but one who has been a highlight of a film series that has consistently pushed the envelope when it comes to action sequences.

If the first film was a solid action offering, the second not only ramped up the action

aspect but also fleshed out the world around John Wick, making a richly textured tale that is easily one of the best sequel offerings of this century.

The big question, with Reeves and director Chad Stahelski returning, is can chapter 3 supersede that film? The answer is not quite; the episodic nature of *Parabellum* giving the film something of a stop-start feel, but it certainly delivers near-flawless action in what is a quite superb film.

Three films in, what you expect from a John Wick film has been firmly established and, credit to all involved, it never veers too far away from the tried-and-tested framework. So you get hard-hitting, visceral fight sequences that are shot with a style, flair and confidence that blows you away, ranging from the balletic and beautiful to the hand-held, close-up and blood-spattered.

Stahelski's confidence as a director is sky high here, and while much hangs on the action, the quieter moments are shot with a real eye for a jaw-dropping visual. He also shows confidence in the way the story organically grows.

In a hyper-realistic world where people are being killed in the middle of Times Square or Grand Central station, there is a degree of the fantastical about the universe that has been built, but it oozes class and style. The dense world created is so compelling and intriguing and it certainly holds your attention whenever the on-screen action takes a breather.

Keanu Reeves' stoic



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performances have defined these films, as well as showing an innate flair for action, and this film is no different. Reeves seems to be in his element in a role that is largely physical.

Around him the likes of Ian McShane, Lance Reddick, Laurence Fishburne, Anjelica Huston, Halle Berry and Asia Kate Dillon flesh out the cast with some nous and gravitas, while it's thoroughly satisfying to see Mark Dacascos (whose career deserves far more credit than it gets) as the film's physical antagonist Zero; an action icon (albeit one who hasn't been given enough exposure) Dacascos brings and irreverence to the character as well as being a superb foil for Reeves.

The film's main shortcoming is in its plot. While Wick being on the run allows for the series' strong point

– those hard-hitting, uber-violent action sequences – it does mean that this time around, the plot feels a touch perfunctory.

There's also an episodic feel that impacts on the flow of the story, almost computer game-like in the way that we move level to level before the film's gigantic crescendo.

Given the success of the film, and more importantly the enjoyment that – even three films in – both Reeves and Stahelski are getting from this franchise, it's safe to say that there's huge potential for another John Wick outing – and that is a most welcome thought.

VERDICT: Not quite hitting the stratospheric heights of part two, *John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum* is still an incredible action film, oozing inventive, hard-hitting uber-violence.

Chad Stahelski's direction is exceptional and Keanu Reeves continues to grow in a role seemingly tailor-made for him; the plot is a tad perfunctory, but the film still more than delivers.

Recommended.
SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *John Wick 2* (2017), *The Matrix* (1999).

Bro Radio celebrates Local Radio Day

VALE - BASED radio station Bro Radio is joining hundreds of radio stations across the country to celebrate the partnerships that exist between themselves and their listeners.

Launched in 2016, Local Radio Day highlights the value of local radio and while other commercial groups cut back their local programming, Bro Radio says it is committed to continuing to provide a truly local radio service for the Vale.

This year, the station has teamed up with Wessex Garages Nissan, Hadfield Road, Cardiff, to get out of the studio and into the community, with the day beginning as Gareth and Nathan broadcast Vale Breakfast from Marco's Café on Barry Island from 7am on Friday, May 24.

During the day, Bro

Radio will be on the road and at various local business, organisations and groups, taking part in various events, challenges and activities, as well as shouting about the work they do in the community.

Operations director Nathan Spackman said: "We are really proud to provide a local radio service that's focused on the Vale. All of our volunteer presenters know the local area like the back of their hand and Local Radio Day gives us an opportunity to get out and shout about what we do and all the great things about living here in the Vale."

Local Radio Day takes place on Friday, May 24 and is organised by the Local Radio Alliance.

You can hear Bro Radio's Local Radio day coverage on 98.1fm in the eastern Vale of Glamorgan, online at broradio.fm via the Bro Radio App or on your Smart Home Speaker.

'Incinerator statement unclear' says DIAG

CONFUSION still reigns over the future of Barry's incinerator after the Welsh Government refused to say how the facility may have breached its planning permission.

The Welsh Government has announced the wood-burning plant in Barry Docks has potentially breached its planning permission and needs an environmental statement to study the impacts of the facility.

The announcement comes as ministers have taken more than 15 months to decide if the developers of Barry Biomass need to carry out an environmental impact assessment (EIA) in order for its planning permission to be valid.

The Welsh Government says it continues to consider whether or not a formal environmental impact assessment is required.

Vale AM Jane Hutt welcomed the announcement, but anti-incinerator campaigners the Docks Incinerator Action Group (DIAG) called the statement "deliberately unclear".

Since the statement was released, the Local Democracy Reporting Service (LDRS) has asked Welsh Government to clarify what this means for the future of the incinerator to clear up any confusion.

So what is an environmental statement, and how is it different to an environmental impact assessment?

The Welsh Government has said the environmental statement will help remedy the potential planning breaches and "ensure that all of the potential environmental impacts which could

arise from the development are collated and that communities have the opportunities to consider and respond to that information. A consultation will be held to "allow all interested parties to consider and comment on a single comprehensive document".

Environmental statements form part of the wider EIA process. They are publicly-available documents which set out in plain English a full description of the development and its likely significant environmental effects.

The statements also include details of any measures the developer has made to reduce adverse effects on the environment, and any alternatives studied by the developer, with the main reasons for the option chosen.

The Welsh Government said: "An environmental statement is part of an EIA, and is usually put together by the developer and contains information on the environmental impacts.

"The intention is that collated information on the environmental impact will then be subject to public consultation prior to the Welsh Ministers considering what, if any, further action is required."

So is the incinerator's planning permission valid without an environmental statement? When will the consultation take place?

A Welsh Government spokesman said: "The planning permission remains in place during this process. A timescale on the consultation has yet to be decided."

What were these potential planning breaches?

The Welsh Government did not give specific details on what the potential planning breaches on the Barry Incinerator actually were.

End of era for high speed train

ON Saturday, May 18, the last HST train service from Swansea to Paddington took place and it was filmed by Vale rail enthusiasts Mike and Nick Wilcock.

Within 24 hours of the film going up on YouTube, it had been viewed more than 3,200 times.

The HST service has been running for 40 years and is being replaced by the Hitachi IET bi-modal trains which are faster and longer.

To view the film, search for Mike Wilcock on YouTube.

The first response was: "The potential breach is a possible failure to properly apply the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999."

When asked to clarify what these potential breaches were, a spokesman said: "We have nothing further to say at this stage."

If the environmental statement is part of the EIA, why not just order a full EIA?

The LDRS also asked if ordering an environmental statement is just delaying a decision on the full EIA.

Campaigners DIAG have said the statement suggests the legal requirement for an EIA will not be enforced.

The Welsh Government again said it had nothing further to say at this stage.

Why does it matter? Last year, the Welsh Government announced it was "minded" to direct that a formal EIA is needed on the Barry Biomass plant in order for its planning permission to be valid.

Barry Biomass is aiming to be fully operational in the next couple of months.

DIAG has called for the environmental permit of the incinerator

to be revoked following four breaches in March 2018, when black smoke coming from the plant's chimney drifted across Barry during tests.

An investigation found a number of minor breaches against the company's permit and the company was given a formal warning by Natural Resources Wales.

Barry Biomass also hopes to receive a subsidy from energy regulator Ofgem – although a decision on this has yet to be made.

Responding to the recent statement, a Barry Biomass spokeswoman said: "The Barry Biomass project has been subject to extensive reviews and reporting over the past decade.

"Biomass UK No.2 Ltd has volunteered to the Welsh Government that it will conduct a review of this body of work in order to demonstrate that there has, at all applicable times, been full compliance with environmental-related legislation.

"Biomass UK No.2 Ltd welcomes the opportunity to correct any misunderstandings that may have arisen in relation to the project."

Matt Discombe, Local democracy reporter

High hopes Blue Flag can return to Island in 2020

NATURAL Resources Wales is confident the drop in water quality that led to Whitmore Bay, Barry Island losing its Blue Flag status this year is a "short term issue".

A Blue Flag at a beach is confirmation of high environmental standards. Blue Flag status was removed at Whitmore Bay after a poor water sample was taken in September 2018.

It raises hopes that the resort could be flying the flag again next year.

Natural Resources Wales has confirmed that there are no "poor quality" bathing waters in Wales – and that includes Barry Island.

A spokesman said: "Keeping Wales' waters clean and safe is a huge part of the work we do, which is why we've been working with Welsh Water and the Vale Council for years to monitor the bathing waters around Barry.

"It's always disappointing when our waters

drop a classification, but we think it's important to remember that there were no poor quality bathing waters in Wales this year, which is a big achievement.

"Last season, Jackson and Whitmore Bays tested abnormally high for bacteria on one of our samples and because of this one high result, these areas had to drop a classification.

"We're still looking into what might have caused the drop in water quality at the time of sampling, but we're confident that it was a very local, short term issue. The waters around Barry are still completely safe and we will be working with our partners towards getting a higher classification for next season."

A spokeswoman for Keep Wales Tidy said: "Whitmore Bay could regain its Blue Flag status next year – the awards are announced at the start of the bathing season in mid-May. However, it's worth noting that water quality results are published in November."

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CAOS Musical Society presents...

COWBRIDGE Amateur Operatic Society was formed in 1968 and gave its first public performance in 1969 of The Pirates of Penzance by Gilbert and Sullivan at Cowbridge Town Hall.

Fifty years on, in 2018, the renamed CAOS Musical Society returned to give a celebratory concert of the formation of the society with some of the songs performed over the five decades.

To celebrate the 50th year since the first performance, CAOS will be presenting *Jesus Christ Superstar* by Andrew

Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice from Thursday, May 30 to Saturday, June 1 at the Stewart Road community centre in Rhooose.

Tickets are on sale from members of the society, at rehearsal nights or via email tickets@CaosMusicalSociety.co.uk. See website for more information.

Members come from all areas within the Vale and are a mixed choir who aim to sing all types of music. Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 7.45pm in the Paul Lewis Community Centre, Glyndwr Avenue, St Athan, CF62 4PP – why not call in and see if a choir is for you?

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Vale Council defends the finances of new primary school deal

THE Vale Council has defended the financial arrangements that it has made with the Church in Wales to build a new £4 million primary school in Colwinston.

A concerned parent contacted The GEM claiming that public money would be used to pay for the new school building – which would then be handed over to the church.

He added that the church would also have control of hiring staff, and pupil intake.

The school will be 100 per cent funded by the taxpayer, yet on completion the ownership of the buildings will be transferred to the

Church.

He said: "£4.1 million of taxpayers' money will be 'gifted' to the Church in Wales.

"The new school will then be allowed to discriminate on the grounds of faith when admitting pupils and staff. This is nothing short of State-funded discrimination."

A Vale Council spokesperson responded that it was a good deal for council taxpayers, pointing out that the church would be responsible for maintenance over the life of the building while it was a school, saying: "A new building for St David's Church In Wales Primary School has been included as part of the council's 21st Century Schools Programme to meet the anticipated future

demand for Church in Wales education, as well as addressing the poor condition and suitability of the existing buildings.

"Recent and proposed housing developments in the Western Vale have resulted in increased demand for educational services. The council has a statutory duty to secure sufficient school places both in number and character.

"The anticipated cost of the new school is £4.185 million, and 85 per cent of this funding will be sought from Welsh Government with the remaining 15 per cent funded by the Vale Council. The council's contribution will not be funded by the taxpayer but from section 106 contributions received from housing developers.

"As is the case with all other Voluntary Aided schools, the land that the new building occupies would be transferred to the diocese. The remaining land on the site would remain under the ownership of

the Vale Council.

"St David's CIW Primary School recruitment and admissions policies are inclusive. Job applications are welcomed from all irrespective of gender, ethnicity, attainment, disability, cultural, social or linguistic background.

"Applications from children actively involved in a Christian or other faith community are given priority if the number of applications exceeds the number of places available."

A Church in Wales spokesperson said there had been a very positive response to the new school during the community consultation, and that the church owns the land the current school building is on.

"We are very excited about the new school and pleased that the plans are well supported. It will enable us to deliver a first-class education for children in a building which is fit for purpose."

Volunteers clean up beach



A BEACH clean took place at Monknash on Saturday, May 18, when 20 people gave up their time to participate.

The biggest item found was a commercial fishing

net, which took six strong men to haul it off the beach.

The Plough and Harrow pub gave the volunteers free soft drinks as a thank you for cleaning the beach.

Author gets 'spiritual' on S4C over surfing the Severn Bore

THE Severn Bore is the greatest ride on earth, says the surfer who has ridden tidal waves from the mighty Amazon to the crocodile-infested Kampar River in Indonesia.

The journey up the Severn by surfers Steve King, a railway engineer from Gloucestershire, and Welsh author Tom Anderson, from Porthcawl, was followed by a camera crew for a major new television series, Llanw (Tide), made by Caernarfon-based television company Cwmni Da.

The first programme in the three-part series will be broadcast on S4C at 8pm on Sunday,

June 2.

Tom said: "Surfing the Severn Bore is the closest thing that a surfer comes to having a spiritual experience. You don't chase it, it chases you. It sweeps everything before it."

Steve has been answering the call of the great wave that sweeps up the Severn Estuary for more than 30 years and he holds the record for the longest ride. That lasted for an hour and 17 minutes and covered nine and a quarter miles until he ran out of river at the Gloucester weir.

Steve, from the village of Saul, a few hundred yards from the river, said: "I've been surfing it for the last 30 years so that must be between two and three



Author and surfer Tom Anderson.

thousand times.

"It's powered by the strength of the tide and the beauty of waiting for the tide is the anticipation, because you don't know if it's going to be big or small so

the adrenaline is really pumping.

"If you are lucky you can ride it for half an hour or even an hour and the landscape changes all the time. You're going through countryside with cows in the fields and instead of an ocean wave breaking on the beach the Bore just goes on and on.

"I've been lucky enough to surf quite a few of the bores around the world, the Amazon, and in India and Indonesia and it's still the best and I was brought up here."

Cwmni Da filmed on four continents, taking in 10 countries and the Arctic for the £600,000 series which features great tides across the globe.

Library hosts popular family fun day

THE annual family fun day at Dinas Powys Library is a key date in the village calendar.

There was a large range of activities available for the youngsters and plenty of delicious food. The WI provided lovely cakes and scones; Glen the butcher at Camms Corner served masses of burgers; Daisy Graze exhibited preserves and con-serves, and there were exhibits of glassware and jewellery.

There was face painting, a bouncy castle, Punch and Judy, and Thomas the Tank Engine. There were also displays by Wild about Nature and Dinas Powys Fairtrade, along with a wide selection



John Fanshaw, Chair of Dinas Powys Community Council, with Glen, the butcher based at Camms Corner.

of plants for sale. Trustee Keith Hatton, the event organiser, said that there was great enthusiasm in the community for the day: "We are firmly based in the community and want

to attract families for a good day out. The refurbishment of the library is now complete and people seemed to love the changes. "The café did a roaring trade and there is great interest in

hiring the new meeting room. People should get in touch if they need a quality room at a reasonable cost."

Chair of Trustees Chris Franks added: "The library and activity centre is now managed by volunteers. We have to raise over £1,000 a month to keep the doors open so the support from local business such as Andrew Wilson Motors, Castle Court Dental Practice, Nisa Local Cardiff Road and Keir Living was vital to the day. Thanks also to the council play development officers and Bethesda Chapel who as always are very supportive."

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Two Penarth schools join up to hold a fun run



RECENTLY, Albert Primary School joined together with Victoria Primary School to hold the Victoria and Albert Family Fun Run at Cosmeston Country Park.

It was a fantastic community event, with children from both schools running in either a 1km or 2km race, alongside their grown up. There were trophies presented for the first boy and first girl in each race and every child who took part in the races received a well-deserved medal for their efforts.

Barry Tourist Railway

Barry Tourist Railway will be operating over the forthcoming Bank Holiday weekend on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Trains depart from Barry Island Station at 11.35am, 1.10pm, 2.10pm and 3.10pm each day for a 40-minute run out and back.

Barry at War Museum and the café at Barry Island Station will also be open.

preceded by a warm up and the whole event ended with a well-earned barbecue!

All proceeds raised from the fun run will be split between the two schools to help improve the playgrounds and outdoor environments.

The day was a great success and we would like to thank everyone who took part in the event, especially all the members of both Albert Primary School and Victoria Primary School PTAs for their continued hard work and support.

Report by Albert media monitors

Council axes bus subsidies for eight routes

BRIDGEND County Borough Council (CBC) cabinet members have voted to cut all the remaining local authority subsidies for bus services in the county.

It means eight routes are now under threat, including those between Bridgend and Blaengarw, Maesteg Parc and Maesteg Town Centre, and Dan-y-Graig and Porthcawl.

Many people use the bus routes to get to GP surgeries and the hospital as well as for social and leisure purposes.

Deputy leader Cllr Hywel Williams said it was a very sad situation the local authority found itself in.

Speaking at a cabinet meeting on Tuesday, May 21, he said: "This is clearly a very unpalatable report. It's a consequence of austerity and where we are."

"We have to find millions of pounds of savings. This is £148,000 of that saving."

"I have been led to believe only 10 paying passengers are needed to make a route viable."

"When we are trying to prioritise resources we need to make sure the way we spend our money gets the best results."

The cabinet member for communities, Cllr Richard Young, said it was not a report he relished putting forward. He said: "I'm well aware of the impact that removing these subsidies will have on communities."

"The message has consistently gone out that if you don't use these services you will lose them."

"We don't have public bus services, we have private enterprises providing a service for a profit."

"In the past when we have removed subsidies for other routes bus companies have looked at different ways they can provide that service."

Cllr Phil White, cabinet member for social services, added: "I think it's time bus companies got their act together."

"We can't continue to

provide subsidies when our own funding is being withdrawn."

Council leader Cllr Huw David said: "Myself and Cllr Young will continue to make the case for the Metro, a Welsh Government initiative, and to invest in bus services."

"It's a service that's important to so many communities across Wales."

"While there has been the initial investment in the Metro by Welsh Government, the initial phases very much focus on rail services."

"We hope future phases will focus on bus services as well."

The funding cuts will also affect Bridgend Bus Station, which could lose around up to £4,000 a year due to the reduced bus movements and loss of departure charges.

However, during Tuesday's meeting council officers pointed out that when subsidies were axed last summer for six bus services the majority of routes were retained on a commercial basis by the bus operator, although it did involve changes or reductions in frequencies.

Council officers said they would also continue to work with Bridgend Community Transport to see if it would be able to replace any or all of the proposed bus routes for withdrawal.

These are the bus services that will no longer receive council funding:

- 16 (Easyway) Bridgend to Blaengarw.
- 37 (Easyway) Maesteg Parc Estate.
- 51 (Easyway) Bridgend to Oaklands (circular) via Bridgend Life Centre/Bridgend Library.
- 61 (Peyton Travel) Nottage to Porthcawl.
- 67 (First Cymru) Bridgend to Aberkenfig via Pen-y-Fai.
- 73 (First Cymru) Bridgend to Blaengarw.
- 76 (First Cymru) Bridgend to Bettws.
- 803 (Easyway) Danygraig Avenue to Porthcawl.

Liz Bradfield
Local democracy reporter

Art4u invite to Knap festival day The Friendship Tree is now the UK's largest 'living artwork'

With over 100 volunteers taking part in this year's 'Recharge' festival, it takes the number of people involved in this piece over the past 10 years to well over a 1,000.

From its humble beginnings in a park in Barry, constantly, subtly changing and evolving, its reach has expanded over the years to include connections in North America, India, and even Bhutan.

Many people have added to it, taken from it, shared it and even laughed and cried over it. Art4u invites you to be part of the 'Recharge' with The Friendship Tree Festival on Sunday June 2 from 11am at the Knap Lake and Gardens. Free entry, all welcome.

Contractors of new Barry schools aim to give back to community



Pupils visiting the site of the Penarth Learning Community when it was under construction.

PART of the Vale Council's contribution to the 21st Century Schools Programme will be to deliver three new and refurbished school buildings in Barry, working with the contractors Bouygues, ISG and Morgan Sindall.

A Vale Council spokesperson said: "As part of the three schemes, the contractors will collaborate with third and public sector projects to deliver a range of community benefits."

"Contractors will offer in-kind donations, volunteer time, opportunities for work experience, training, business advice and upskilling opportunities for volunteers."

"Support is available to projects, organisations or social enterprises at the third or public sectors

throughout the Vale.

The Vale Council's director for learning and skills, Paula Ham, said: "This is an excellent opportunity for local groups to learn about and become a part of the 21st Century Schools Programme."

The community benefits project will launch on May 29 with an event at Barry Island. Between 10am and 12 noon, local community groups and residents can learn more about the project, meet the developers and take part in a litter pick to help keep Barry Island tidy. Volunteers wishing to take part in the litter pick should meet under the Eastern Shelter at 10am.

Further information about the 21st Century Schools Programme can be found on the Council's website at: www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/21st-century-schools.

CAVC students show their creative side at end-of-year exhibition



Students will showcase their talent at the show.

THE next generation of Welsh artistic talent will be on display in the capital next month when Cardiff and Vale College's Creative students will hold their end of year show and exhibition.

Students from the college's Barry campus will be exhibiting their work at the college's city centre campus on Dumballs Road.

The opening of the exhibition will also include an end of year summer show where the artists will be on hand to talk about their work, with performances from music and performing

arts learners, plus a fashion show by fashion design students.

The exhibition will open on Friday, June 7 at 5pm and will feature a full programme of events. The show and exhibition is open to everyone and you can register here: eventbrite.co.uk/e/creative-end-of-year-show-registration-61158542848.

There will also be an exhibition of the work by students at the Barry Campus at Arts Central in Barry Library from June 8-22 with a special viewing evening on June 13 from 6pm-8pm.

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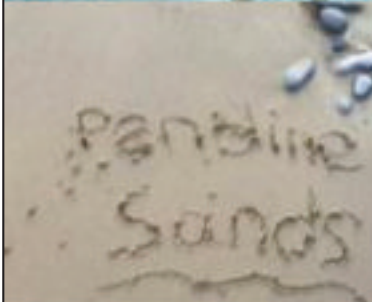
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CAVC students had the chance to grill chef Marco Pierre White.

Marco Pierre White plays host to students

HOSPITALITY and catering students from Cardiff and Vale College (CAVC) have been given an opportunity to grill celebrity chef Marco Pierre White at his restaurant in the capital.

Learners Ieuan Jones, Emily Church and Nia Williams were taken on a tour of Marco's Steakhouse Bar and Grill restaurant and kitchen at the top of Hotel Indigo in Cardiff before meeting the man himself at an exclusive wine and dine event.

The students talked about careers in the catering industry with Marco and were given signed copies of his book, *Essentially Marco*.

CAVC hospitality lecturer Tony Awino said: "This was a

fantastic opportunity for our students to meet one of the UK's top chefs and restaurateurs.

"Ieuan, Emily and Nia were wonderful ambassadors for the college and I'm sure this is an experience they will hold dear for many years to come."

Victoria Milner, restaurant general manager, said: "Our wine and dine event went down a treat and we were delighted to have had the CAVC students along to experience it first-hand."

"We hope they were inspired by Marco and our team here, and wish them every success as they complete their studies. They're the future of the industry and hopefully one day we might see them back here at Marco Pierre White Steakhouse Bar and Grill."

Ogmore MP discusses landmark report

OGMORE MP Chris Elmore has met the Secretary of State for Health, Matt Hancock MP, to discuss the #NewFilters report he published earlier this year.

Mr Elmore, chairs the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Social Media and Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing, and the meeting was an opportunity to discuss what can be done to counter some of the issues young people face online.

Also in attendance were Shirley Cramer, chief executive of the Royal Society for Public Health, and William Wragg MP, the Secretary of the APPG.

The government recently confirmed its plans to act on several of the issues arising from the report when it released its 'Online Harms' White Paper.

One of the report's key recommendations – the establishment of a Social Media Health Alliance – has not yet been added to the government's plans. Mr

Elmore is keen to grow the level of support for this proposal and raised this as part of the meeting.

He said: "We have to solve the 'Wild West' that social media is becoming for many people. Mental health issues are on the rise and the government isn't doing enough to put pressure on social media companies to tackle them."

"I'm really pleased to have had such a positive meeting with the Health Secretary. I'm delighted to hear that he's going to put more pressure on the social media companies and he was genuinely receptive to the ideas we raised."

"I look forward to continuing to work with him and other colleagues on a cross-party basis so that we can ensure we get ahead of the technology and help our young people."

The proposed Social Media Health Alliance would go towards funding cutting-edge research into the links between the platforms and mental health issues.

AM queries ambulance handover delays at the Princess of Wales Hospital

REGIONAL AM Suzy Davies has asked Health Minister Vaughan Gething to investigate why an emergency ambulance with a patient on board was kept waiting outside Princess of Wales Hospital in Bridgend for more than 16 hours before being able to complete the hand-over.

The Minister said: "The extremely long waits that you quote in your question are certainly not acceptable," but went on to say that this was a matter for the health board to resolve and not him.

Welsh Conservative Mrs Davies asked the Welsh Ambulance Service to provide information about hand-over times at POW and also at two hospitals within the Cwm Taf health board – now Cwm Taf Morgannwg – which has also been responsible since April for Princess of Wales. The waiting times relate to the period December 1, 2018 to February 28 this year.

The response from the ambulance trust revealed that the six longest waits of all were at Princess of Wales where an ambulance had to wait for more than 16 hours before a patient could be handed over. The second longest wait at the hospital was in excess of 14 hours with other waits recorded of 11 and 10 hours.

This contrasts with the Royal Glamorgan Hospital at Llantrisant where the longest wait was less than an hour – 57 minutes – and Prince Charles Hospital in Merthyr where the longest wait was just over two hours. The average waiting times have also been listed which show that in

Bridgend it was one hour and five minutes while in Llantrisant it was nine minutes and in Merthyr it was seven minutes.

Mrs Davies said: "These figures are very stark. I want to understand why busy hospitals like Prince Charles and Royal Glamorgan can turn around ambulances often in minutes while we are seeing waits of many hours routinely logged in Princess of Wales."

"It has been suggested that the design of Prince Charles and Royal Glamorgan hospitals may be partially responsible as there are longer corridors in them where trolleys can be parked. But hospitals have to ensure that patients are being assessed and triaged when they first arrive and if they are on trolleys they need to be monitored and cared for."

"The time difference cannot be simply down to the architecture of these buildings. It has to be something that's more fundamental like the procedures in place to actually receive patients from ambulance crews."

"I will be visiting the A&E department at Bridgend to hear what they say about these challenges and seek their views on how changes can be brought about to assist the speedy turn-around of ambulances. The new health board also needs to say what they intend to do at POW about this. It's no wonder that people living in the Bridgend area are waiting unacceptably long times for ambulances to respond if they are all tied up outside the hospital waiting to hand over patients."

"There have been times when up to 12 ambulances have been parked outside POW, which is having a dreadful knock-on effect on ambulance response times in

the area. The ambulance trust has only a finite number of ambulances at its disposal and unless we can get the hand-over process speeded up in Bridgend so that it matches that in Llantrisant and Merthyr, then we will continue to have people waiting hours for an ambulance."

"These two hospitals, which also serve areas of high demand, have proved that it is possible to send an ambulance on its way within minutes."

"I am determined to get to the bottom of this for the sake of local people who at the moment are being left waiting for an ambulance to turn up – often for many hours and sometimes in pain."

A spokesperson for the Health Board commented: "In recent years, Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board (formerly Cwm Taf UHB) has been working closely with a number of agencies to implement new ways of working which support patients to go through the hospital journey more quickly."

"We have placed significant focus on patient transfers from ambulances into our hospitals and as a result we have seen an improvement in our ambulance handover performance at both the Royal Glamorgan Hospital in Llantrisant and Prince Charles Hospital in Merthyr Tydfil."

"On 1 April 2019, the responsibility for healthcare services across Bridgend, including the Princess of Wales Hospital, transferred to Cwm Taf Morgannwg UHB and further work will be undertaken in all areas to identify additional opportunities for improvement."

Cosmology Corner – it's black or white... by Norman Lloyd

LAST time, we focused on the recently photographed gigantic black hole which is situated at the centre of the galaxy M87.

Black holes are known to be created when supergiant stars (stars with mass more than 20 times that of our own Sun) run out of fuel and collapse into a singularity – an infinitesimally small one dimensional point with an enormous mass.

But what happens to smaller, Sun-sized stars when they also burn up all their fuel?

Modern astronomy tells us that the Sun is just one of countless stars in the universe and like all stars, it has a lifespan covering birth, main sequence and eventual death.

So when will our Sun die? Well, there's no need to panic just yet, as our Sun is only about half way through its lifetime. Over the last four or five billion years, the Sun has pretty much remained unchanged and this will continue for another four or five billion years before its supply of hydrogen fuel eventually runs out.

Well before then, mankind will certainly need to find some other place to live (and develop the technology to get there) as some pretty drastic things will happen!

In the main sequence stage of its life, nuclear reactions in the core of our Sun fuse hydrogen into helium and every second, some 600 million tons of matter are converted into the energy we experience as light and warmth here on Earth. As there is only so much hydrogen in the Sun, this process cannot last forever

and as more and more hydrogen is converted to helium, the core shrinks and its gravitational force increases.

The increased pressure at the core will be resisted by an increase in the fusion rate and the energy output of the Sun will correspondingly increase.

At present, this is only causing a one per cent increase in luminosity every 100 million years, but in a billion years from now, the cumulative effect of this will mean that the Sun will be 10 per cent brighter than it is today.

In a further two and a half billion years, the Sun will be 40 per cent brighter than now, and the ice caps will melt and the oceans will boil away.

When the hydrogen is finally exhausted in the Sun's core, the inert helium that has built up there will collapse under its own weight, causing the core to heat up and get denser. The Sun will then grow in size and become a Red Giant, encompassing the orbits of Mercury, Venus and possibly also Earth.

Even if the Earth survives, its surface will be scorched by the intense heat of the red sun, making it impossible for any life to survive. Eventually, in another ongoing nuclear fusion reaction over several hundred million years, all of the helium in the Sun's core will be converted to carbon. Its outer layers will puff away and the Sun will become a compact White Dwarf star, which will slowly cool over trillions of years before finally winking out.

A rather ignominious end, then, for the heavenly body which is providing the energy for all life on our blue planet.

News in brief

Shipwrecks talk
RHOOSE and District History Society will welcome speaker Allan Underhill on Friday, May 31, at 7.30pm in St Peter's Church at 1 Church Road, Rhosoe.

His topic is 'Legends and Shipwrecks of the Bristol Channel'. Tickets on the door; adults £1, children 50p (under 16 years).

Fibromyalgia support
A SUPPORT group for sufferers of Fibromyalgia runs on

Mondays (11am-1pm)
at Fairwater Inn, Fairwater, Cardiff and on Fridays at The Sir Samuel Romilly, Barry, (1pm-3pm).

Fibromyalgia is a neurological disease that affects the muscles and joints causing high levels of pain throughout the body and in severe cases, short term confusion.

The group helps sufferers to forget about it during their time together and helps with paperwork to get help and support.

Town council launches free litter picking equipment loan service



BARRY Town Council has launched its free 'Litter Picking Equipment Loan' service for the second year.

The scheme gives businesses and organisations a chance to borrow equipment free of charge to host their own litter picking events across the town.

The Town Council recognised through its community engagement consultation that many people wanted to get involved in environmental projects, but didn't have the resources to do so.

The scheme had a brilliant start with staff from Companies House, Cardiff, (above) using the equipment on May 16 to litter pick the new Barry Island road. A team of volunteers collected 16 bags of litter and were treated to a free drink, courtesy of Academy, Barry, once they had finished.

If you would like to borrow the equipment (which consists of litter picks, gloves and bag rings – adult and children sizes available), then get in touch with Robyn Walsh, community development officer, at robynwalsh@barrytowncouncil.gov.uk or 01446 704925.

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Council launches new service to offer help so EU nationals can stay in county

BRIDGEND County Borough Council (CBCB) is launching a new service to help EU nationals apply for settled status.

The service is for people who need to scan and register their identification documents as part of their applications for obtaining settled or pre-settled status.

Council leader Huw David said: "We are making this service available to support not only EU nationals who want to continue to live and work in the county borough once the UK leaves Europe, but the local businesses and employers who rely upon their skills, too."

"While the scanning service does not guarantee the success of an application or provide status updates, it will help people as they gather the necessary materials

and move through the process."

Based at Bridgend Register Office, the service is being made available as an alternative option to using a UK Government app which enables documents to be scanned using certain mobile phones.

The council said the service is being provided free of charge for residents of Bridgend county borough, and is £14 for non-residents who wish to use the service.

The 'chip and check' service will launch on Monday, June 3.

Appointments can be booked from Friday, May 24. To book, call 01656 642391 or email registrar@bridgend.gov.uk

For more details visit the 'preparing for Brexit' page on the council's website.

Liz Bradfield
Local democracy reporter

Do your children need somewhere to go in the Whitsun holiday period?

DID you know that KPC Youth and Community, the charity based in Pyle, is open daily Monday to Friday (except Bank Holiday Monday) from 11am-3pm during the school Whitsun holidays for a 'Let's Get Active Programme', for ages eight and over?

KPC offers a wide range of on-site activities, such as a skate park, multi-sports court, adventure play area, IT room, music, pool, table tennis and lots more!

A range of additional activities have been planned for the Whitsun break, including an environmental gardening project and activities by Network Rail.

The centre is located next to Pil Primary

School, off Pyle Inn Way, in Pyle, and is open to young people from across Bridgend county and surrounding areas. Membership is £3, with daytime holiday admission at £3, and evening admission at £1 for members.

There are offers such as sibling discounts if you have more than one child attending, and during Whitsun, a half-price evening admission is offered if your child has attended during the day.

Evening opening times are: 5.30pm-7.30pm for ages 8-12; 6.30pm-9pm for school year 8 (transition group); 7.30pm-9.30pm for ages 13 and over; closed Bank Holiday Monday.

To find out more, call in at the centre or call 01656 745399/749219, or e-mail: info@kpcyouth.com.

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Music and Flower Festival

PORTHCAWL Music and Flower Festival, June 8, 11.30am, is in its seventh year and the theme this year is 'Our Heritage'.

As this is a community event and the music is performed by local organisations.

Call in to All Saints' Victoria Avenue and pick up a programme for the day. Why not bring a friend or neighbour who doesn't get the chance to go out much? Have a cup of tea, listen and leave the bustle of life outside the church doors.

Entry to the event is free, but donations will be divided between The Sandville Self-Help Centre and Porthcawl Museum.



There was a bright (orange) welcome in Aberavon for Chloe from Captain Beany.

Chloe's charity walk moves on past the £3,000 mark!

GEM readers may remember that we recently reported on nine-year-old Chloe Collett's plan to walk 20 miles (from Porthcawl to Aberavon and back) to raise money for research into thyroid cancer.

We're delighted to report that all went well but Chloe did get one thing wrong - it turned out to be a 27-mile journey!

She set out with family and friends from the new Porthcawl Medical Centre early on May 11,

and finished the journey in good time.

At Aberavon, she had a surprise welcome from that well-known local eccentric, Captain Beany, who had a donation for her.

Chloe's dad, Darren, told The GEM: "We have now passed £2,600 on Chloe's virgin giving page, with another £720 of pledges still to be collected."

Chloe is delighted to have smashed her original £2,000 target, but donations can still be made on <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/DarrenCollett1/>



Chloe en route to Port Talbot.

New Rest Bay water sports centre is right on schedule



BCBC cabinet members were joined by ward member Norah Clarke and Bridgend AM Carwyn Jones for a site visit to view the latest progress on Porthcawl's new water sports centre in Rest Bay.

WORK on Porthcawl's new water sports centre in Rest Bay is progressing well ahead of the facility opening later in the summer.

The new centre will provide a base for local water sports groups and clubs, as well as offering a café/bistro upstairs, an ice cream kiosk downstairs and toilet facilities, showers, changing cubicles, a function room and more.

The building's design also incorporates solar technology, a covered area for dog walkers and glazed panels to make the most out of the stunning coastal views.

The centre is being built by Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) as part of the 'Porthcawl Resort Infrastructure

Focus' project using £1.6m of EU funding from the Welsh Government's new Tourism Attractor Destination programme.

Launched by Visit Wales to create 13 must-see tourist attractions across 11 destinations throughout Wales, the overall £61.8m programme will use a total of £27.7m worth of EU funds.

The same programme has also funded the refurbishment of Porthcawl's harbour kiosk so that it can provide the adjacent marina with toilets, showers and other facilities.

Cllr Charles Smith, BCBC's cabinet member for education and regeneration, said: "It was marvellous to have a close look at the latest progress on the new

water sports centre which has been funded by European money and is being built by Cardiff firm, Henstaff Construction.

"The project is expected to be completed some time in August. I can't yet announce who the tenants will be as lease agreements are currently under discussion but hopefully, an announcement will be made soon.

"The tendering process was based on criteria primarily concerning quality, and that the successful applicants have excellent track records. I'm sure that local residents will be pleased and are looking forward to the completion of this iconic new development that will further establish Porthcawl's status as a leading coastal destination."

Busy day at the Senedd for young carer Oliver



Oliver with Health Minister Vaughan Gethin.

WELSH Youth Parliament member and young carer Oliver Davies, spent a very busy day being 'educated outside school' while working alongside Ogmores Assembly Member Huw Irranca-Davies at the National Assembly for Wales.

Taking time from his caring responsibilities, Oliver eagerly took advantage of an opportunity to work with the Ogmores AM to gain valuable work experience and to understand more about how the Assembly works.

Already an active parliamentarian, Oliver has previously participated in Assembly committees and taken part in national TV interviews.

In a very full itinerary for his day at the Senedd, Oliver met his own constituency AM Carwyn Jones; attended a Cross Party group on children and young people; viewed First Minister's Questions during Plenary; provided

feedback to a representative for the Welsh Government Minister for Education about carers in schools and colleges; met Health Minister Vaughan Gethin - all while observing and assisting Ogmores AM, Huw Irranca-Davies.

Mr Irranca-Davies praised Oliver's work and said: "It was a pleasure to welcome Oliver to spend the day with me at the Assembly. I met Oliver previously and was immediately impressed with his enthusiasm, despite the daily challenges he faces as a carer - he is a possible budding future First Minister."

"It is always good to offer opportunities to carers and youngsters from diverse backgrounds, who may otherwise not get the chances others take for granted."

"A big thank you to Carer's Trust Wales, partner organisation of the Youth Assembly and also my colleagues for including Oliver in their working day while taking on board his valuable contributions."

Club members put their backs into clearing river

YOUNG athletes from Cougars basketball team in Bridgend have been caring for the environment, alongside Keep Wales Tidy, by removing almost four tonnes of stones from an overflow area of the Ogmores River.

The stones, which were blocking a flood diversion route behind Redrow's Afon Gardens development in Bridgend, were removed after two days of hard work thanks to the efforts of the community, including local residents who made tea and coffee for everyone involved.

To thank them for their efforts, Redrow Homes has donated £1,750 to the Cougars, who on the day were made up of parents and children aged eight to 16-years-old, and this will be used to go towards new equipment and a new playing area.

Cassie Jennings, team manager at Cougars basketball club, said: "The team and the parents had a great couple of days out stone picking, and it was a fantastic way for the children to learn about the environment and to get involved with the community."

"Unfortunately, we don't get the funding we require anymore so we are grateful to Redrow for providing a donation that will enable us to improve our facilities."

Summer evenings begin for Penarth Ramblers with a stroll around Porthkerry Park

THE first walk in Penarth and District Ramblers' summer evening programme attracted a group of 13 walkers who joined Jan and John at the Toby Inn.

After welcoming new walkers Veronica and Jane to the fold, they set off down Cwm Cidi Lane. Legend has it that the valley is haunted by a black dog that howls, but not this evening; and continuing through several gates, they entered Porthkerry Country Park.

With lovely views westwards towards Cardiff Airport, they descended past an old ruined cottage into the Whitelands valley and through a field containing young frisky bullocks.

A footbridge led them over the Bullhouse Brook and into a meadow dominated by the beautiful Porthkerry Viaduct, built in the 1890s, before a climb up a sunken lane brought them to Porthkerry village.

Entering the churchyard of the 13th century lime-washed St Curig's Church through the lych gate which, like the church organ, is dedicated to the memory of local men who gave their lives during the Great War, they ventured on to view the 15th century stone preaching cross and a simple gravestone that marks the grave of a seafaring man, drowned in 1868.

Entering this peaceful and beautifully-kept church, the tower built

some 200 years after the main church contains the bells still rung by volunteers. John Wesley is also recorded as having preached there several times in 1741.

Sir Edward Romilly is buried in a marble tomb in the churchyard and he was responsible for leaving the parkland of Porthkerry for the public to enjoy. Descending through woodland, they crossed the pitch and putt course to the main viaduct car park, as the sun was slipping down in the western sky and where steps led them into the beautiful Knockmandown Wood and past Nightingale Cottage.

Arriving at the entrance to the Millwood, several of the group joined John for the shorter return via Cwm Cidi, while the remainder accompanied Jan past the old sawmill, built in 1895, powered by water from the Nant Talwg Brook, to supply timber for the Romilly Estate, before making their return via Pontypridd Road.

On May 25, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for a 12.5-mile strenuous walk around the Ogwr Fach Horseshoe; contact Geraint on 029 2051 5278.

For up to date information, visit www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com or follow on Facebook. Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

Joy Strangward

PACT in the Vale

GIBBONSDOWN 'Cuppa with a Copper' is held every Monday morning at the Aberaeron HUB, Aberaeron Close between 10am and 12 noon.

Deaf PACT will be held at Barry Fire Station on Monday, June 3, between 6pm and 8pm.

Coffee and Chat will take place at The Village Shop, Colwinston at 11am on Friday, May 24.

If you have any issues that are affecting your quality of life but are unable to attend a meeting, contact 101 for non emergencies or visit: www.south-wales.police.uk to find contact details for your local PCSO to contact them directly for non emergency matters.

Attic Project

THE Attic Project help Barry people over 60 to make space in their homes with the aid of caseworkers and volunteers, working with the project.

They can help sort through items, and help to dispose of unwanted belongings.

The project aims to make people's homes more accessible and can reduce the risk of falls. It can also make repairs and adaptations in the home easier.

A session will be held on Tuesday, June 4, at Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, Holton Road, Barry. Contact 01446 732385 for further information.

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GORCHYMYN (GWAHARDD MANNAU AROS, LLWYTHO A PHARCIO A CHYFYNGU ARNYNT) (GORFODI SIFIL) (DIWYGIO) (RHIF 1) CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG 2019

1. Hysbysir bod Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth ymarfer ei bwerau o dan Ddeddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 a Deddf Rheoli Traffig 2004 a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, yn cynnig gwneud Gorchymyn i ddileu'r manau parcio i bobl anabl yn y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 1, 2 a 3 a gosod manau parcio i bobl anabl yn y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 4 a 5 isod.

2. Ceir archwilio manylion llawn y cynigion yn y cyfeiriad a ddangosir isod yn ystod oriau cyffredin y swyddfa a rhaid cyflwyno unrhyw wrthwynebiadau sydd gennych i'r cynnig hwn i Gylarwyddwr yr Amgylchedd a Thai (Cyf.IF875, 876) yn ysgrifenedig erbyn 14 Mehefin 2019 a rhaid cynnwys y rhesymau pam rydych yn gwrthwynebu.

3. Cynghorir unigolion sy'n gwrthwynebu'r Gorchymyn arfaethedig ei bod yn gyfreithiol ofynnol i'r Cyngor gyhoeddi unrhyw sylwadau a ddaw i law mewn ymateb i'r Gorchymyn arfaethedig i'w harchwilio gan y cyhoeddi, yn sgil Deddf Llywodraeth Leol (Mynediad at Wybodaeth) 1985.

Caiff y Gorchymyn Rheoleiddio Traffig ei ddiwygio fel a ganlyn:

Gorchymyn Gwaharddiad a Chyfyngiad Mannau Aros, Llywtho a Pharcio (Gorfodi Sifil) 2013

ATODLEN 1

Cynllun arfaethedig dileu manau parcio i bobl anabl

Broad Street, Y Barri (74) (AX50)

Ar yr ochr ogledd-orllewinol o bwynt sydd 134 o fetrau i'r de-orllewin o'i chyffordd â Hilda Street tua'r de-orllewin am bellter o 6.6 metr.

Brook Street, Y Barri (10) (AU53)

Ar ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 10 a 12 tua'r de-ddwyrain am bellter o 5.4 metr.

Castle Street, Y Barri (29) (AX49)

Ar yr ochr ddeheuol o bwynt sydd 98 o fetrau i'r gorllewin o'i chyffordd â Park Crescent tua'r gorllewin am bellter o 6.6 metr.

Gladstone Road, Y Barri (199) (AU51)

Ar ochr ogleddol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 197 a 199 tua'r Gogledd-ddwyrain am bellter o 5.2 metr.

Victoria Road, Y Barri (10) (AY49)

Ar yr ochr ogledd-orllewinol o bwynt sydd 36 o fetrau i'r gogledd-ddwyrain o'i chyffordd ag Eton Street tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am bellter o 5 metr.

King Street, Penarth (38) (AI65)

Ar ochr ddeheuol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 38 a 39 tua'r dwyrain am bellter o 5 metr.

Redlands Road, Penarth (23) (AM63)

Ar ochr ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 25 a 23 tua'r de-ddwyrain am bellter o 6.4 metr.

ATODLEN 2

Dileu'r man parcio presennol i bobl anabl a gosod man aros cyfyngedig rhwng dydd Llun a dydd Sadwrn o 8am tan 6pm am 2 awr dim dychwelyd o fewn 2 awr ac eithrio deiliad trwydded preswyl yn ei le.

Court Road, Y Barri (36) (AU52)

Ar ochr ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 34 a 36 tua'r de am bellter o 5.3 metr.

Digby Street, Y Barri (6) (AV53)

Ar ochr dde-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 4 a 6 tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am bellter o 4.5 metr

Newlands Street, Y Barri (40) (AV52)

Ar ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 38 a 39 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 5.5 metr.

Regent Street, Y Barri (42) (AV51)

Ar yr ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol o bwynt sydd 91 o fetrau i'r gogledd-orllewin o'i chyffordd â Holton Road tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 6.6 metr.

ATODLEN 3

Dileu'r man parcio presennol i bobl anabl a gosod man aros cyfyngedig rhwng dydd Llun a dydd Sadwrn o 8am tan 6.30pm am 2 awr dim dychwelyd o fewn 2 awr ac eithrio deiliad trwydded preswyl.

George Street, Y Barri (37) (AV53)

Ar ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 37 a 39 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 4.8 metr.

Pyke Street, Y Barri (50) (AU52)

Ar ochr dde-orllewinol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 50 a 51 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 5 metr.

ATODLEN 4

Mannau parcio arfaethedig i bobl anabl

Kingsland Crescent, Y Barri (43) (AW52)

Ar ochr dde-orllewinol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 41 a 43 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 5.4 metr.

Kingsland Crescent, Y Barri (70) (AW52)

Ar ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 68 a 70 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 5.4 metr.

Llewellyn Street, Y Barri (14) (AT53)

Ar ochr dde-orllewinol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 14 a 16 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 5 metr.

Pontypridd Road, Y Barri (9) (AW49)

Ar ochr dde-orllewinol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 7 a 9 tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 6.6 metr.

St Nicholas Road, Y Barri (35a) (AY49)

Ar ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 37 a 35a tua'r gogledd-orllewin am bellter o 6.6 metr.

St Paul's Avenue, Y Barri (18) (AW50)

Ar ochr dde-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 16 a 18 tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am bellter o 6 metr.

Masefield Road, Penarth (42a & 42B) (AJ62)

Ar ochr ddeheuol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 40 a 42 tua'r gorllewin am bellter o 12 metr.

Railway Terrace, Penarth (8) (AK64)

Ar ochr ogledd-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 7 a 8 tua'r de-ddwyrain am bellter o 5.4 metr.

ATODLEN 5

Dileu'r man aros cyfyngedig presennol rhwng dydd Llun a dydd Sadwrn o 8am tan 6pm am 2 awr dim dychwelyd o fewn 2 awr ac eithrio deiliad trwydded preswyl a gosod man parcio i bobl anabl yn ei le.

Woodlands Road, Y Barri (21) (AU52)

Ar ochr dde-ddwyreiniol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 19 a 21 tua'r de-orllewin am bellter o 6 metr.

Woodlands Road, Y Barri (110) (AU52)

Ar ochr ogledd-orllewinol y ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 108 a 110 tua'r de-orllewin am bellter o 5 metr.

Dyddiedig y 23 diwrnod o fis Mehefin 2019

Cylarwyddwr yr Amgylchedd a Thai
Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, Depo'r Alpau, Gwenfôl, CF5 6AA.

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT) (AMENDMENT) (NO 1) ORDER 2019

1. Notice is given that the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Traffic Management Act 2004 and of all other enabling powers proposes to make an Order to remove the disabled persons parking places at the locations specified in Schedules 1, 2 & 3 and install disabled persons parking spaces at the locations specified in Schedules 4&5 below.

2. Full details of the proposals, may be inspected at the address shown below during normal office hours and any objections you may have to this proposal must be submitted to the Director of Environment & Housing (Ref.IF875, 876) in writing by 14th June 2019 and must contain the grounds upon which you object.

3. Persons objecting to the proposed Order are advised that in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 this Council is legally obliged to make any comments received in response to the proposed Order open to public inspection.

The following Traffic Regulation Order is to be amended as follows:
Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places (Civil Enforcement) Order 2013

SCHEDULE 1

Proposed Removal of Disabled Persons Parking Places

Broad Street, Barry (74) (AX50)

On the north west side from a point 134 metres south west of its junction with Hilda Street in a south westerly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.

Brook Street, Barry (10) (AU53)

On the north east side from the boundary line of property numbers 10 and 12 in a south easterly direction for a distance of 5.4 metres.

Castle Street, Barry (29) (AX49)

On the south side from a point 98 metres west of its junction with park Crescent in a westerly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.

Gladstone Road, Barry (199) (AU51)

On the north west side from the boundary line of property numbers 197 and 199 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 5.2 metres.

Victoria Road, Barry (10) (AY49)

On the north west side from a point 36 metres north east of its junction with Eton Street in a north easterly direction for a distance of 5 metres.

King Street, Penarth (38) (AI65)

On the south side from the boundary line of property numbers 38 and 39 in a easterly direction for a distance of 5 metres.

Redlands Road, Penarth (23) (AM63)

On the east side from the boundary line of property numbers 25 and 23 in a south easterly direction for a distance of 6.4 metres.

SCHEDULE 2

Revoke the existing Disabled Persons Parking Place and install Limited Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am-6pm 2 hours no return within 2 hours except resident permit holders.

Court Road, Barry (36) (AU52)

On the east side from the boundary line of property numbers 34 and 36 in a southerly direction for a distance of 5.3 metres.

Newlands Street, Barry (40) (AV52)

On the north east side from the boundary line of property numbers 38 and 39 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 5.5 metres.

SCHEDULE 3

Revoke the existing Disabled Persons Parking Place and install Limited Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am-6.00pm 2 hours no return within 2 hours except resident permit holders.

Digby Street, Barry (6) (AV53)

On the south east side from the boundary line of property numbers 4 and 6 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 4.5 metres

George Street, Barry (37) (AV53)

On the north east side from the boundary line of property numbers 37 and 39 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 4.8 metres.

Pyke Street, Barry (50) (AU52)

On the south west side from the boundary line of property numbers 50 and 51 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 5 metres.

Regent Street, Barry (42) (AV51)

On the north east side from a point 91 metres north west of its junction with Holton Road in a north westerly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.

SCHEDULE 4

Proposed Disabled Persons Parking Places

Kingsland Crescent, Barry (43) (AW52)

On the south west side from the boundary line of property numbers 41 and 43 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 5.4 metres.

Kingsland Crescent, Barry (70) (AW52)

On the north east side from the boundary line of property numbers 68 and 70 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 5.4 metres.

Llewellyn Street, Barry (14) (AT53)

On the south west side from the boundary line of property numbers 14 and 16 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 5 metres.

Pontypridd Road, Barry (9) (AW49)

On the south west side from the boundary line of property numbers 7 and 9 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.

St Nicholas Road, Barry (35a) (AY49)

On the north east side from the boundary line of property numbers 37 and 35a in a north westerly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.

St Pauls Avenue, Barry (18) (AW50)

On the south east side from the boundary line of property numbers 16 and 18 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 6 metres.

Masefield Road, Penarth (42A and 42B) (AJ62)

On the south side from the boundary line of property numbers 40 and 42 in a westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres.

Railway Terrace, Penarth (8) (AK64)

On the north east side from the boundary line of property numbers 7 and 8 in a south easterly direction for a distance of 5.4 metres.

SCHEDULE 5

Revoke the existing Limited Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am to 6pm 2 hours no return

Within 2 hours except resident permit holders and replace with Disabled Persons

Parking Place.

Woodlands Road, Barry (21) (AU52)

On the south east side from the boundary line of property numbers 19 and 21 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 6 metres.

Woodlands Road, Barry (110) (AU52)

On the northwest side from the boundary line of property numbers 108 and 110 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 5 metres.

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- Well presented three bedroom townhouse set on the popular Waterfront situated in the heart of Barry within walking distance of supermarket, shopping complex, train station, doctors' surgery and Waterfront walks
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Clos Peiriant, Barry - £220,000



- Four bedroom detached residence situated on the highly desirable Highlight Park development in North Barry
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- Close to schools, public transport, doctors and supermarket
- Easy access to Cardiff and M4 corridor.

Sandringham Close, Barry - £269,950



- Executive detached family residence set in a cul de sac location, benefiting from commanding sea view situated on the highly desirable Rhose Point development
- Previously six bedrooms, now five bedrooms with walk in dressing room. Family bathroom and en suite shower room to master. Balcony to bedroom two. South facing rear garden. Driveway providing off road parking for 4/5 vehicles. Double garage.

Porfa Ballas, Rhose Point - £490,000



- Semi detached property maintained to a high standard and set on a corner plot.
- Close to all local amenities and public transport
- Garden to front with off road parking for 2-3 vehicles with enclosed garden to rear.
- Briefly comprises: Entrance hallway. Lounge. Kitchen and bathroom to the ground floor. Three bedrooms to the first floor with stairs rising to loft room.

Barry Road, Barry - £169,950



- Two double bedroom detached bungalow set in a cul de sac location on the highly desirable Cwm Talwg development towards the West end of Barry
- Briefly comprising Entrance porch. Hallway. Lounge. Open plan kitchen to hallway. Extended second bedroom plus wet room
- Gardens to front and rear and driveway providing off road parking

Taf Close, Barry - £209,950



- Well presented and maintained three bedroom semi detached property set on the highly desirable Cwm Talwg development towards the West end of Barry
- Enclosed rear garden enjoying a good degree of privacy
- Driveway providing off road parking for up to three vehicles.

Teifi Drive, Barry - £220,000



- Three bedroom mid terrace property situated in the West end of Barry
- Benefiting from sea views across Barry Island, Bristol Channel and Somerset Coastline
- In walking distance of train station and busy High Street shops and cafes
- Forecourt and enclosed rear garden
- The property would benefit from some upgrading

Wenvoe Terrace, Barry - £192,000



- Traditional four bedroom bay fronted property with views across Barry Docks and the Bristol Channel
- Easy access to local amenities, Holton Road shops and train station providing links to Cardiff and Bridgend
- Benefits from a small forecourt and rear garden along with UPVC double glazing, gas central heating and a garage

Dock View Road, Barry - £174,950



- Semi detached property situated on a desirable modern development within the East end of Barry
- Accommodation briefly comprising: Entrance hall. Living room. Kitchen. Small conservatory. Two double bedrooms and bathroom to the first floor
- Gardens to front and rear. Parking for two vehicles

Churchfields, Barry - £147,500



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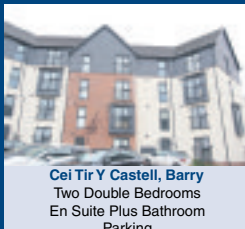
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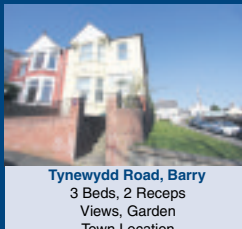
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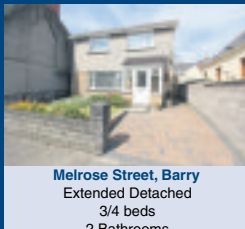
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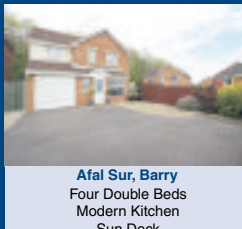
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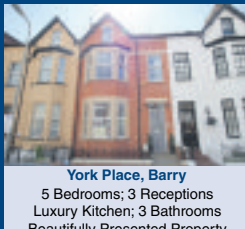
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'RAF 100' was highlight of the year for Vale Mayor

THE outgoing Mayor of the Vale says the highlight of his year in office was the parade through Barry by RAF St Athan to mark 80 years since it was established and 100 years of the Royal Air Force.

Cllr Leighton Rowlands, whose grandfather served at RAF St Athan, said: "For me it was the most memorable event – around 390 RAF personnel gathered at King Square on September 9, where I, as mayor, and the Lord Lieutenant carried out an inspection before a march through the town.

"The RAF made their way down Holton Road to the Civic Offices. It was a great honour to allow them to exercise their freedom of marching through the streets of Barry to celebrate 100 years.

"There were so many people keen to pay tribute to the RAF. We must never forget our Armed Forces and the freedoms they help to protect."

Another highlight for Cllr Rowlands was welcoming young people

who visited the Vale from Germany, Belgium and France.

"We hosted a youth exchange visit from the Vale's twin towns of Rheinfelden, Mouscron and Fécamp. I was able to welcome them to the Civic Offices and give a talk. They visited Barry Island and enjoyed fish and chips. They also visited Cardiff Bay Barrage.

"There were educational workshops, and I know the youngsters learned a lot about Welsh culture and thoroughly enjoyed the trip. The Vale pupils were proud to have hosted them."

One of the main functions of the Vale Mayor is to raise awareness of local causes and Cllr Rowlands said that took up most of his time in office.

"I dedicated the majority of my year to local charities and organisations – Barry Round Table, the Royal British Legion, Barry Rotary Club, the local RNLI and many more local groups that do such valuable work.

"I set up The Mayor's Foundation, which was aimed at assisting the day to day work of some of these local volunteers.



Former Vale Mayor, Cllr Leighton Rowlands, at the RAF parade in Barry last September.

The foundation has proved a success because I have no money left! In total, around £5,000 was donated to local causes."

A regular event close to his heart is the Highlight Park community coffee morning: "It takes place in my ward and was set up by the Neighbourhood Watch. It helps people who are isolated and encourages people to get sociable and meet fellow residents

for a chat.

"Barry Men's Forum, another organisation I visited, serves a similar purpose. It provides local retired men with an opportunity to meet up, listen to a talk and discuss topics of interest.

"During my year in office, I was also delighted to congratulate two local ladies on their birthdays – one was 100 years old, the other 101 years old."

Cllr Rowlands said he was also impressed by the talented young performers he saw during school visits.

"I attended many school concerts such as those at Llantwit Major Comprehensive School and Cowbridge Comprehensive School. The performances were excellent and the parents should be really proud. It was great to see pupils achieving such high standards."

Cllr Rowlands said he wanted to thank the mayor's support team, Karen Brown, Elizabeth Kemp and Mark Perthrick, for helping to ensure his year of office ran so smoothly.

Cllr Rowlands' final day of office was on Monday, May 20. He is succeeded by fellow Conservative councillor Christine Cave.

Cllr Jayne Norman of Llantwit First Independents will undertake the role of Vale Deputy Mayor.

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Sky notes for June

JUNE is a difficult time to view the night sky – simply because it never really gets dark enough.

However, says Dave Powell of Barry Astronomical Society, there are still things to see.

Close to the western horizon are a couple of the winter constellations, Gemini and Auriga. Binoculars will show some of their brighter stars. The Milky Way can be seen low on the north-western horizon and with the help of binoculars, you can follow it around the northern horizon, to the south-eastern horizon, via the eastern horizon.

Gaze almost overhead and find Ursa Major. The seven stars that make up the 'asterism' called the Plough or Big Dipper should be easy to make out. Three stars make up the handle of the Plough and the middle star is known as Mizar.

Look closely; it has a companion called Alcor. Astronomers call such stars 'double stars'. In fact, things are a little more complicated, because a small telescope will show that between these two is another star.

Another interesting star is the top left-hand star leading towards the handle. Notice how it looks fainter than the others, yet many centuries ago,

surviving maps made up by astronomers of the day show it as being equal in brightness with the others.

The Plough can help locate other constellations. First find the end star of the handle, now follow the curve downwards until you spot the bright star Arcturus. This bright orange star marks the constellation of Bootes.

Continue your curved line from here until you come to another bright star, about halfway down towards the southern horizon. This is Spica, and it marks the constellation of Virgo. Spica is more than 2,000 times as luminous as our Sun. Its colour is bluish/white, and it is also a double star, although both are so close, we can't separate them.

Some of the planets put in appearances, but most observations will be difficult. On June 4 and 5, Mercury and Mars will be in the same part of the sky as our crescent Moon, but please be warned you must wait until the Sun has set below the horizon before attempting to use binoculars to search for them – the Sun can, and will, blind you.

Jupiter lies close to the southern horizon, and on June 12, the Moon lies close to Spica.

Take a look at barryastronomical.wordpress.com for details on the club; everyone is welcome.

Friends of Barry Beaches clean up

THE next beach clean will be on Bank Holiday Monday, May 27 at Porthkerry and volunteers should meet near the Forest Lodge for a 3pm start.

The litter pick lasts for an hour and equipment will be supplied. Volunteers of all ages are welcomed, but please can children be accompanied by a responsible adult.

In April, Friends of Barry Beaches volunteers were joined by the Rotary Club of Barry and Brownies and Rainbows from 10th Barry, to help clean The Knap beach. There were almost 50 volunteers in total, working as a team to keep the beach clean of litter. A big thank you to everyone who came along.

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BALE
Sandra

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David

We would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of support following the loss of David. Margaret, Stephen and Michael were touched that so many were present at St David's to celebrate David's life; it was a great comfort and we appreciated their presence.

A special thanks to St David's and Rev. Roy Watson for the service and making the day so special for the family and for the generous donations to Disability Sports Wales, an organisation that the family has been closely involved with. Thank you.

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29th May

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Peacefully at Llandough Hospital on 14th May 2019, Charles aged 90 years, beloved husband of the late Joy much loved father of Tim and Hugh. Also a loved grandfather.

Charles will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Saturday, 8th June at 11am. No flowers by request. Donations in lieu, if so desired, would be gratefully appreciated for Scope or the National Autistic Society c/o the funeral director.

SPANOUidakis
Audrey

On 11th May, Audrey late of Barry. Devoted wife of the late Captain John Spanoudakis, and dearly loved daughter of Edith and Bill Stonehewer.

Resting at James Summers Funeralcare, Penarth until the funeral at All Saints Church, Barry on Tuesday, 28th May 2019 at 11.45am, followed by committal at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry.

Flowers may be sent to the funeral home or donations in memory to Versus Arthritis, Copeman House, St. Marys Court, Chesterfield, S41 7TD.

KINCAID
Kenneth

Peacefully on 9th May at Princess of Wales Hospital. Widower to his much loved and missed wife, Ann. Father to Wayne, father-in-law to Angela and doting grandfather to Molly and Joseph.

Funeral to be held at Boverton Cemetery on Tuesday, 28th May at 2pm.

HURST
Harry (Horace)

13/11/1920 - 17/05/2019

Much loved husband to the late Rose, father to the late Gwen, and father-in-law to Peter. Grandfather of 4, great grandfather of 8, and great great grandfather of 11. Peacefully passed away after a short illness on 17th May 2019 at the grand old age of 98.

He will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Finally reunited with his girls.

Funeral to be held at 1.45pm on 30th May at Coychurch Crematorium.

Family flowers only, donations to Cancer Research.

MELBOURNE
Lancelot Augustus
(Larry)

After a long stay at Bella Vista Nursing Home and a recent stay in hospital, Larry peacefully passed away at the University Hospital of Wales on 15th May 2019, aged 74 years. Much loved brother to all his brothers and sisters, cherished uncle to all his nieces and nephews. Larry was well known for his love of gardening and work at the local hospitals, as a grounds keeper and gardener keeping the lawns and flower beds looking lovely.

Larry will be missed by his family, friends and carers.

Larry is resting at Park Funeral Directors, 7 Tynwydd Road, Barry until the service on Friday, 31st May at Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery Chapel at 11am, followed by the committal at 11.30am. Donations would be greatly received at the service in memory of Larry given to British Heart Foundation or Cancer Research.

PYCROFT
William James (Bill)

Peacefully at home on 16th May, Bill sadly passed away. Devoted husband of the late Joan. Loving dad of Mark, Judith, Joanne, Andrew and Kevin. An adored grandpa to all his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He will be greatly missed by all, reunited with Joan.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Friday, 31st May at 12 noon.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service or via Bill's online tribute page at www.valefuneralservice.co.uk to support Breast Cancer Care in memory of Bill.

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Vale Cricket Club round-up

THE local rivalry between Vale Cricket Club Firsts and Tondy Seconds started with a true moment of sportsmanship where both teams marked the passing of Martyn Oram.

Martyn was a familiar figure on the Tondy boundary as he watched his son Dean play before following him to Vale CC as Dean returned to playing cricket after a few years away from the game. Martyn forged many friendships with players and members of both clubs and it was only right that both teams took an opportunity to show their respects.

Vale won the toss and elected to field. Having won both of their previous games, Vale were looking to maintain their excellent start. Darren Upham (2-31) got the away side off to a formidable start as he removed the off stump from the ground with his final delivery of the first over.

Three overs later and Vale took Tondy's second wicket as captain McCay and keeper Withers combined for a run out with Upham taking his second wicket the very next over, with James Snelson taking the catch at mid-off.

With the score at 6-3, Tondy rebuilt rather effectively. The partnership of Davies (103) and Jenkins (68) amounted to a colossal 163. Davies and Jenkins batted well but Vale will feel that they gave them too many chances with some loose bowling and lacklustre fielding at times.

The two Tondy batsmen had definitely changed the atmosphere of the game and had put an excellent platform for their teammates as they looked to bat out the remaining five overs.

However, in those five overs Vale managed to gain another three bowling points, a valiant effort. Jimbo Thomas taking 3-59 was expensive but he did manage to take some vital wickets as his last over saw three wickets fall, two stumpings and a run out from JJ Davies.

In his first spell of the season James Snelson took 2-40 with JJ Davies taking both the catches. This left Tondy with 207-9 meaning Vale faced their highest run chase challenge of the season so far.

They began that chase with Hiles (11) and Alex Upham (Upham junior). Hiles and Upham seemed to be bogged down by some accurate bowling. Despite both playing some nicely timed shots neither batsman got on top of the Tondy bowlers.

Hiles fell in the 12th over to youngster Thomas (2-21) leaving the score at 25-1. JJ Davies (66no) and Upham shared a stand of 109 before a mix up led to Upham being run out for 43. This left the score at 87-2 with only 16 overs to go, a run rate of 7.5 an over.

Oram (30) played with courage and determination scoring singles which by this point were useful but the lack of boundaries would make for an even closer finish.

Oram and Davies rotated the strike well and with Oram's enthusiasm to run as much as possible, and Davies who was only too happy to oblige, the pair looked to increase their run rate to give their team a chance.

When Oram was run out pushing for a third run the score was left at 145-3 with six overs to go. Enter Joe Hodges, promoted up the batting order for an occasion such as this.

Hodges (20) wasted time in getting started and bashed the ball to the boundary more often than not. This included him hitting the only six of the game, which gives a strong indication of the size of Tondy's ground. Snelson (10) entered the game and hit his runs facing almost half the deliveries but was caught at long on.

Captain McCay (14no) hit two

well timed boundaries and was left facing the final ball knowing that three runs would win the game and two would finish in a tie.

McCay's shot failed to find a big enough gap and only a single was scored, resulting in Vale losing their first game of the season.

When a team loses by one run there are many situations that can be analysed and looked at which could have made a difference. This victory hurt and they will need to bounce back and perform better this week in all categories of the game.

Despite the loss, Vale are second in the table mostly due to their success in the first two games of the season but also due to the fact that in defeat they still managed to secure nine bonus points out of a possible 10.

This week they welcome Dinas Powys to Corntown and will be looking to bounce back.

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Vale second XI continued their winning start to the season with a comfortable seven wicket win over a previously unbeaten Ton Pentre at Corntown.

With skipper Matthew Thomas losing the toss, Vale were asked to field first and got off to an uncharacteristically poor start. Some wayward bowling and lethargic fielding allowed the visitors to race onto 27 without loss after four overs.

Vale's fortunes turned on capturing their first wicket, the dangerous looking M Thomas (15) undone by what seemed initially to be a rank high full toss by Greg Andrews, but actually transpired into a slower ball, pinning him straight in front lbw. From that point on, Vale never looked back and turned the screw with the introduction of first and second change bowlers Tom Lazarus and Tom Taylor.

Both picked up wickets in their first overs and Lazarus would have had another but for a regulation spill at gully by his skipper Thomas.

The two Toms raced through a miserly 16-over spell of tight bowling which, coupled with some resolute defence, yielded very few runs and even induced a slow hand clap from the batsmen in waiting!

Lazarus finished with 1-16 off his allotted eight overs and the pumped-up Taylor an incredible 1-4 off his eight.

The wicket column got moving again with the introduction of Matthew Williams (2-15) and Richie Humphries (1-28) as Pentre crept over the 100 mark.

With one over left to bowl, Vale looked unlikely to pick up full bowling points with still two Pentre wickets intact. Cometh the hour however, cometh Greg Andrews, who, returning to clear up the tail, finished with an impressive (3-26).

Pentre were all out for 109, largely thanks to their experienced skipper Brian Morgan (40).

In reply, Vale openers Matthew Gilbert and Paul Sheppard started watchfully against the impressive swing bowling of J Carter and C Hughes.

Gilbert then started to show his form of recent weeks unleashing some beautiful offside boundaries.

It was a surprise therefore, when Gilbert managed to offer a simple return catch to Hughes, departing for (18). When Hughes (2-29) trapped Sheppard (9) for a questionable lbw two overs later, Vale were reduced to 33 for 2.

That bought Mark Francis and Ian Clewley to the crease and the pair quickly banished memories of the preceding week's run out debacle, to compile a composed 61-run partnership.

Clewley once again impressed in his debut season for Vale CC, before feathering a catch behind for (30),

a wicket that saw Vale drop their first point of the season. Matthew Williams (7no) joined the composed Francis (22no) to complete the victory, and round off another fine winning day for the Vale second XI.

Vale Cricket Club's third XI stepped onto the playing fields at Wenvoe for their first competitive league match since 2012.

Having won the toss and electing to field, Vale got off to a decent start with the ball. Matt Lazarus and Chris Haskins led the attack well with opposition Sully Spartans looking twitchy at the crease; playing and missing, digging out the odd ball that seemingly forgot how to bounce on its way to the bat, frustration apparent.

With three overs gone, and 10 the score, Vale skipper Paul Gilbert was feeling untroubled at this point. Unfortunately, it wasn't to last.

Within the space of two overs, the score had more than doubled (25 off five overs). Still, no need to panic from the Vale team who set about the field with zeal and age seemed no barrier to their efforts with young and old alike chasing.

Tim Stephenson and Alun Morgan were particularly busy protecting the cover and mid wicket boundaries throughout the afternoon, as was Nick Allen at long mid-on. Ben Stephenson (earning his first cap on his senior debut) did a superb job of patrolling the cover area, bravely intercepting thunderbolt drives to reduce available runs.

But then the opening pair for the Spartans attacked, going aerial, boundaries found more often than not. The score was now 85 from 10 overs, wickets untouched.

In need of a breakthrough, the skipper turned to an unlikely pairing. Young spinner Sam Sheppard and Kenny Thomas entered the fray with Haskins (5-0-44-0) and Lazarus (5-0-31-0) making way; Sully's opening pair punishing any wayward delivery.

With Sheppard bowling a good line and length of mixed pace and getting some traction on the wicket, the breakthrough came. Three balls in to his spell, the first wicket was claimed, opener Alamin clean bowled for 26. With Thomas at the other end bowling equally a good line and length, the run rate was curtailed, with just 25 runs coming from the first six overs of their joint spell.

Sully's run total now stood at 110 from the 16 overs played. However, just as they had previously, Sully responded by going on the offensive and as the teams headed for the drinks break, Sully had posted 145 runs from the allotted 20 overs, for the loss of a single wicket. Much needed refreshment and regrouping awaited the Vale players.

In the 24th over, youngster Dai Harris was brought on from the bottom end and his impact was immediate, takings several wickets, and the Vale somewhat surprisingly bagged five bowling points!

Skipper Gilbert and Alun Morgan opened the batting for the Vale, hoping to settle down and make good headway into the 201 run target.

Alas, it wasn't to be. Skipper Gilbert fell in the second over, playing half way through his shot before the ball had reached him and delivering a gift to the opposition skipper at the

bowler's end. Caught and bowled for 1.

Mark Stevens came in and showed signs of a fightback, stroking powerfully through the ball before being caught out (figuratively and literally) by a ball that popped from the wicket surface. Too close to pull the bat away, the ball was deflected into the air and the awaiting hands of a grateful fielder and Stevens was dismissed for 8 runs.

Morgan was met at the crease by Sam Sheppard, but the partnership didn't last long; Morgan trapped in front of the stumps from the bowling of Nair for eight runs. Nick Allen made his way to the middle and for a while it appeared that together with Sheppard, they would steady the ship.

Sheppard played confidently against the pace of opening bowler Nair, a wonderful hook shot to behind square on the leg-side boundary was the highlight and Allen frustrated the bowlers with some good ground strokes and defiant defensive play.

Having survived an appeal for caught behind from the bowling of Nair, Allen finally succumbed, caught off the same bowler and leaving the field with a well-fought nine runs.

Tim Stephenson was next at the crease but unfortunately was caught out by the pace and movement of Nair's bowling, trapped in front of middle stump first ball.

Dai Harris (3) caused some concern to the groundsman by taking part of the playing surface with the ball on his way to a quick single before also being caught in front of the stumps playing a sweep shot a few balls later, this time off the bowling of Russell Thomas.

Sheppard played with composure throughout his innings but he was finally ousted by an outstanding catch at silly point off the bowling of David Morgan, with the fielder reaching behind himself to take a one-handed catch about a foot off the ground. Sheppard departed with 28 nicely played runs and by now Vale third XI were in big trouble.

Chris Haskins and Matt Lazarus, tormented by the Sully batsmen earlier in the day, now became the tormentors. A half-century eighth wicket partnership brought some respectability to the scoreline and boy were there some cokers in there! Lazarus in particular paying back in kind with two thunderous sixes and four boundaries and Haskins joining the party with some shots to make the encroaching fielders wary, as well as displaying some swift running between the wickets.

A herculean effort by the pair given the circumstances and just for a few minutes, something special was in the air. A superb innings was brought to an end through the bowling of Alamin. Ben Stephenson (0) fell to the same combination of bowler and fielder as Sheppard and no sooner had Kenny Thomas taken position in front of the stumps, the stumps were being removed. Thomas caught and bowled by Alamin for 0 was the closing act to the innings and Vale eventually lost the game by 87 runs.

The third teams' next game is against Llantwit Fadde, at home in Wick.

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First lady club captain at Wenvoe Castle

EACH and every year since the Wenvoe Castle Golf Club was formed in 1936, an inaugural ball is held to welcome and celebrate the appointment of the new club captain.

This year was a very special occasion, as Lesley Sherrard became the first lady member to be taken up the role of club captain and the reception given by the members at the recent AGM confirmed it was a very popular appointment.

Following her election, Lesley said: "I am honoured and humbled that the membership has endorsed my nomination for club captain and I will do everything I can to see the club moves forward and builds upon previous captains' knowledge and experience. It will certainly be a challenge but it is one I am looking forward to."

On behalf of the members, club vice-president Colin Champ congratulated Lesley and wished her every success in her year of office.

The Sherrard family have made a significant contribution to club life at Wenvoe Castle and Lesley is proud to follow in the footsteps of husband David, who is a past club captain and former club president.

Lesley's 'in-laws' Mary and Sherry were also members and Sherry was co-author of the *History of Wenvoe Castle Golf Club*, published to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the club in 1986.

Lesley's role will include being chair of the club's management



Lesley Sherrard.

committee and her considerable previous experience serving on that committee, together with her contribution as a former lady captain, will be invaluable in taking the club forward in the challenging times which currently affect all golf clubs.

On the magnificent championship golf course, Lesley has enjoyed considerable success in various club competitions and has represented the club in team matches on many occasions.

Three times a runner-up in the ladies championship leaves a further challenge for the future but no doubt this year will see Lesley concentrating but really enjoying the demanding role of club captain.

For the first time in the 83 years history of the club, the name 'madam captain' will be heard in the corridors of Wenvoe Castle and will no doubt bring a smile to the 'ghost' of Lady Jenner who will be delighted there is another lady at last taking a lead role at this historic venue. **BJ**



Among those pictured at the reopening of the club are Rob Cunningham of the Vale Tennis Academy, Roger Williams chairman of LMTCC, the Lady Mayoress, Llantwit Major Mayor Bob Gant, Margaret Stephens, Mike Stephens and Cllr Gwyn John.

Llantwit Major Tennis Club launch day is a hit!



THERE was a fantastic turnout by members of the local community on Sunday, May 19, to celebrate the grand reopening of Llantwit Major Community Tennis Club.

Free tennis sessions were run by Vale Tennis Academy with many children and adults trying tennis for the first time. The new Mayor of Llantwit Major Bob Gant even had a go.

A club spokesperson

said: "We want to thank everyone who helped organise the event and all those who participated."

"Special thanks go to Mike and Margaret Stephens who have been raising funds for the club. The tennis pavilion has now been officially renamed in memory of their son Oliver Stephens, who started his tennis career in Llantwit Major and went on to coach professionally in USA, but who sadly passed away in 2018."

"Also, we would like to thank to Matthew Hunt



and Filco who kindly donated £500 to the Ollie Stephens Fund."

The reopening of the club was the completion of the second stage of the town council's sports development project.

Llantwit Major Mayor Cllr Bob Gant officially opened the newly resurfaced tennis courts that people in the town and surrounding villages can now enjoy.

In 2014, the town council approached Rob Cunningham of the Vale Tennis Academy to investigate the possibility

of holding coaching sessions on the redundant tennis courts. The aim was to re-establish the tennis club. After a lot of hard work, the committee relaunched the club which now boasts 110 members.

The club worked closely with the town council in applying for a Rural Communities Development Fund Grant, which helped fund the project. The application for funding was successful with a total of £43,616 being granted and match funding by the tennis club of £10,904.

The whole Sports Development Project grant application came to £160,000 with the project part funded by the European Union through Welsh Ministers, Welsh Government, and a 'Europe Investing in Rural Areas' fund at £128,000, along with match funding of £32,000 by several interested parties.

Cllr Gwyn John said: "I was delighted to see the number of children at the reopening. The club is going from strength to strength. There was a great effort from the town council and the clerk to get the necessary funding."

If local people are interested in finding out more about the club visit www.llantwittennis.co.uk.

PJT

Millwood Bowls Club round-up

AFTER a fitful start to the season with matches cancelled by a mixture of bad weather and sickness, Wednesday saw Millwood travel to the Murch to play a Munro Cup fixture.

Although a little rusty, the team gave a good account of itself. A game of nip and tuck on rink 2 saw Brian Crockford trail by two shots after 11 ends but 10 shots gained over the next eight ends saw them ease to a 18 shots to 14 win.

Over on Rink 3 Rob Browne and team were equally close for 15 ends before six shots scored over the last five ends saw them record a narrow win 16 shots to 14.

On Rink 5 Steve Sewell got off to a flyer and a seven shot lead after three ends only to drop six shots over the next four but clawed these back with six shots over the next four, finally winning 18 shots to 12.

Elsewhere on Rink 4 John Snee and his team were holding their own against strong opposition and trailed 14 shots to 12 after 12 ends; however 14 unanswered shots over last seven ends led to a 28 shots to 12 defeat and overall victory to the home side, 68-64.

On Saturday Millwood travelled to Ynysybwll for a Division 6 League fixture.

On Rink 1 Tony Williams trailed 10-3 but a 4 and a 3 on next two ends saw them draw level and 4 on the next end saw them take the lead but the home rink were not to be denied, finally easing to a 24-21 victory.

On Rink 2 Derek Gorrington soon found his rink five shots down after three ends but rescued himself by scoring six on the next end put them back in the game; however 13 shots scored over the next five ends provided a cushion which the home rink were unable to overcome with Millwood running out 23-19 winners.

On Rink 3 Brian Crockford's rink were nip and tuck with the

home side with no more than two shots between them; however five shots scored on the last three ends gave them a 20-14.

On Rink 4 Keith Davies and his rink took time to find their feet and were all square after seven ends but seven shots on the next five ends saw them take a lead they did not relinquish, finally winning 29-13. Millwood won the match 93-10, taking 12 points in the process.

Monday evening saw Millwood host Pencoe in a rearranged Carruthers Cup match on a good bowling evening.

Rink 2 saw Brian Crockford and his rink take a seven shot lead after three ends and keeping their lead intact won comfortably 17-7. Rink 3 saw Peter Taylor struggle to get into the game against a rink playing a man short and despite holding shots on a number the opposing skip kept his rink in the game by taking shot and enabling his rink to win 16.5-16.

Meanwhile on Rink 4 Derek Gorrington and his rink found themselves 8-7 down after eight ends but recovered to 15-15, but seven shots gained on the final two ends saw them win 22-16.

Rink 5 saw Steve Sewell struggle against their three-man opposition all night, finally losing 19-14 but with deduction in score for their opponents, won narrowly 16-14.25, overall victory going to the home side, 71-55.75.

As most of the local bowling fraternity will be aware, the south Vale has been helping to host the Atlantic Challenge and Millwood Bowling Club has been proud and privileged to play its

part by offering visiting international teams the club facilities and greens to practise on, including Argentina, France, Spain, Zimbabwe, Botswana and the Isle of Man.

The club wishes to thank all members who helped our visitors during their visits to our club.

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Tim's Ludlow double win

VALE trainer Tim Vaughan landed a double at Ludlow on May 20 with AllTimeGold and Jefferson Davis.

The former was ridden by Alan Johns and won the two-mile handicap chase and the latter, Jefferson Davis, partnered by champion jockey Richard Johnson, took the three-mile handicap chase.

AllTimeGold went off the 6-4 favourite and scored by six lengths from Katy Price's Johnny Yuma and Jefferson Davis, an 11-4 chance, had five lengths to spare over Sam Drinkwater's Billy Hix.

Brian Lee

Old Hall Bridge Club results

ON May 15, the results at Old Hall Bridge Club were:

First, Barbara Exton and Eleanor Jones; second, John Raymond and Allan Lewis.

TP

Cowbridge Darts League round-up

ON May 14 no matches were scheduled as the league programme has been completed.

Final league standings are: Edmondson B (126 points), Highwayman Inn (116), Edmondson A (99), Farmers Arms (87), Victoria Inn (83), Llanharry (76), Hairy Farmers (73), One Town Hall Square (64), Edmondson C (58) and Red Lion Inn (28). In terms of individual performance achievements, at the moment the men's highest out, stands at 150, achieved by Iain Jones (Victoria Inn), while the ladies' highest out stands at 112 achieved by Amanda Edwards also of the Victoria Inn.

So far 33 180s have been hit. Top of the table is Nigel Thomas (Farmers Arms) with eight followed by Luke Richards (Edmondson B) with six, Iain Jones (Victoria Inn) with four, Martin Thomas (Edmondson B) with three, John Izzard (Hairy Farmers), Rhys Jury (Edmondson A) and Tom Verrill (Highwayman Inn) with two and Simon Reader (Hairy Farmers), Rob McCaver (Hairy Farmers), Steve Simmonite, Trevor Morgan (Edmondson A), Lee

Davies and Jon Davies (Llanharry) with one each.

Thirteen players have hit outs 100 or higher: Iain Jones (Victoria Inn), Martin Thomas (Edmondson B), Michael O'Leary (Victoria Inn), Noyle Burt (Edmondson C), Cedric Simmonite (Edmondson A), Tom Verrill (Highwayman Inn), Amanda Edwards (Victoria Inn), Chris Curnow (Red Lion), Rob McCaver (Hairy Farmers), Phil Harris (One Town Hall Square), Martin Gaffney (Edmondson B), Luke Richards (Edmondson B) and Nigel Thomas (Farmers Arms).

Next week, Tuesday, May 28, the Victoria Inn hosts the Captain's Cup - the action will start at 8.15pm and spectators are welcome. This is the final game of the season before finals night on June 8 at Llanharry Workingmen's Club.

For further information e-mail Paul at cowbridgedarts@gmail.com, up-to-date information can be found on the website: www.darts.apsn.co.uk.

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Penarth Bowls Club round-up

LAST week saw the first Munro Cup encounter for Penarth with a visit to Cowbridge, the result of which bagged a well-earned 10 points.

A victory by 18 shots, 83-64, was masterminded by the Tony Holmes rink which amassed a 35-13 win over his old Windsor colleague, the luckless Andrew Morgan.

Tony was more than ably assisted by Dave Plank, Jack Beanland and Captain Russell, all of whom could not quite believe the two seven-shot hauls achieved on the 17th and 18th end.

Nick Chandler, Nick Thomas, Brian Hocking and Derek Blainey gained two points by managing to squeeze out a 16-14 win, clawing back from a 12-7 deficit on the 11th end to take six of the remaining seven ends and secure the win.

The Clive Fry rink surprisingly let a 17-5 lead after nine ends drift away to eventually relinquish the lead at the 17th end and finally losing by 19-21. Colin Grant and his men were never able to secure a lead throughout and went down by 13-17.

With one loss already chalked up in the Carruthers Shield, the 60 mile round trip to Cefn Cribwr was a somewhat daunting one for captain Russell and his team.

The game was slightly marred by the home side only being able to field two full rinks, the other rinks being played with three bowlers.

Penarth set about their task with much aplomb and registered a well-earned victory by 30 shots, 97-67.

The mercurial Tony Holmes was the skip with most aplomb, guiding his men – Nick Thomas, Chas Burton and captain Russell – to a magnificent 40-10 triumph. Tony shows no mercy.

In a real uncompromising contest, Clive Fry, Paul Church, Jack Beanland and Phil Davies battled through to a 20-20 draw.

Nick Chandler, Phil Crocker, Ken Thorne and Berwyn Lansley were also involved in a titanic encounter finally gaining the win they deserved, by virtue of the 25 per cent forfeit the opposition three were forced to concede, allowing Nick to register a two-shot winning margin. Unfortunately, Dave Plank and his rink were not close enough for the 25 per cent to provide a win, with them losing by just two shots, 19-21.

Saturday saw the PG2 side at home to

Whitchurch Hospital with captain John hoping for a continuance of the good form so far shown in previous PG2 games.

He was not to be disappointed as all four rinks won to record an overall win by 109 shots to 60, with a maximum haul of 16 points. Rumour has it that they now sit at the top of the league.

Colin Hicks, captain John, Don Shirley and Alex Forsyth ruled the roost with a stunning 37-14 rout. Not far behind was Dave Clement, Bob Lewis, Mike England and Ron Birkby as they ran up an impressive 31-12 victory.

Brian Brennan (23-19) and Lawrence Brook (18-15) battled well with great support from their rinks to complete the whitewash.

The ladies also managed to complete a successful week with convincing wins in both the Evening and Afternoon Leagues.

Monday evening they welcomed Fairwater to Penarth with both home rinks securing wins. Sue Croll, Wendy Grant, Betty Jones and Chris Church led the charge by rattling up a very impressive 28-6 win, followed close behind with Belinda Price, Kath Jenkins, Jayne Edwards and Chris Davies managing an almost as impressive margin of 13 shots, 25-12.

Sue Croll never relinquished the lead and took full control, winning 13 of the 18 ends played. Belinda managed to grasp the nettle after a slow start gradually wore the opposition down to win all of the last four ends, taking a total of 11 shots in the process.

The first Afternoon League game saw a trip to Kenfig Hill, resulting in a 54-35 win over the three rinks. Kath Jenkins' rink had a real battle throughout with the lead changing hands many times before the eventual 15-15 draw was acclaimed as a fair result.

The Sue Croll rink took control early on and led 11-1 at the sixth end. They continued to dominate and ran out winners, 21-10.

Wendy Grant led her rink to a 18-10 win, never losing an early lead, winning on 13 of the 18 ends.

NC

Open days at Llantwit Major Bowls Club

L L A N T W I T Major Bowls Club has opened with new changing and toilet facilities, built by Kingfisher Development (Wales) Ltd with the help of Llantwit Major Town Council, funds from the club members and grants from the Vale Council and the Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust.

The new building greatly improves the facilities which also includes amenities for disabled bowlers and a meeting room that can be hired by any organisation.

The Bowls Club are holding open days on Sunday, May 26 and Monday, May 27 for all ages (10 to 90) from 2pm to 6pm. Free training and equipment is offered; the only thing you need to provide are flat shoes – come along and give bowls a try!

Bowling gives people companionship and gentle exercise and there are also many social events held throughout the year.

The Bowls Club is open every day from 2pm until dusk. For more information, visit www.lmbc.wales or call the clubhouse on 01446 311599.



The new facilities at Llantwit Major Bowls Club.

Sully Sports Bowls Club round-up

SULLY Sports Bowls Club hosted close neighbours Penarth Windsor in a Munro Cup fixture on Wednesday, May 15 on a pleasant sunny evening.

Both sides won two rinks each but it was the Windsor who took the aggregate win by a big margin of 79-51.

The lead changed six times in a tight first seven ends on K Agius' rink, and from a shot up after the sixth, the home rink could only record four more over the remaining 12 ends,

and some fine Windsor bowling eased them to a comfortable 14 shot win.

Keith Romans' rink was closely contested early on but by halfway, the visitors had built up a five shot lead.

The home rink rallied to lead with four ends left but with two ends to go, it was all square. The Sports registered a two on the penultimate end, but the Windsor just failed to pull it back on the last gaining a single, which gave the Sports a rink win by a shot.

C Coomber's rink was behind from the start, as the visitors raced away with some excellent bowling on 13 of the 18 ends to record a fine 27-9 win.

G Brown's rink struggled for 10 ends, where they were 10-4 down, but then clicked and with all four players contributing at various stages they eventually ran out 16-13 winners.

Rink scores: D Burbridge, M Stafford, G Currie, G Brown 16-13; B Knight, J Pearce, A Collard, C Coomber 9-27; P Collier, D Davies, L Romans, K Romans 16-15; B Daniels, D Austin, A Middleton, K Agius 10-24. Sully Sports man of the match: David Davies.

On Saturday, May 18, Sully Sports travelled to Maesteg Celtic in the Carruthers Cup, and for the second game running won two of the four rinks, but lost the match,

this time by an aggregate of 69-83.

K Agius' rink were five shots ahead after six ends, but found themselves two shots down two ends later, but then took nine of the remaining 13 ends to record a 10 shot victory.

L Romans' rink went behind on the first end, and some impressive bowling from the visitors kept them in front throughout, to win the rink comfortably by 23-12.

C Coomber's rink started well winning the first two ends, but struggled thereafter winning only six of the following 19 ends, and went down 12-31.

G Brown's rink was nip and tuck, losing an early lead, drawing level at halfway, then establishing a lead that, despite visitors' fight-back, they held to take a six shot win.

Rink scores: D Austin, B Whyman, A Middleton, G Brown 20-14; D Davies, L Adams, K Romans, L Romans 12-23; A Fitt, P Collier, B Matthews, K Agius 25-15; B Knight, J Pearce, A Collard, C Coomber 12-31. Sully Sports man of the match: Dennis Austin.

This Saturday, May 25, Sully Sports travel to Cowbridge for their final group WBA Carruthers Cup fixture, and then visit Llantwit on May 29 in Munro Cup.

MS

Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club

THE latest results for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for May 20 are:

First, John Raymond and Alan Lewis, 60.82 per cent; second, Glenda Roberts and Liam Sheridan, 55.95; third, Stewart Norton and Eileen Williams, 55.05.

LE



Upside down but it's all part of the plan!

Ben goes head over heels for kayaking success



Ben Higson on the white water.

A BOY from Rhose has been selected for a national team in kayaking, and will be competing this summer in the World Championships in Spain.

Ben Higson is a 14-year-old pupil at Cowbridge Comprehensive School. He takes part in a little-known sport called freestyle kayaking, which involves doing

tricks such as cartwheels and somersaults on white water while in the kayak.

Recently, he went to the National White Water Centre in Nottingham to compete in qualifying for the 2019 World Freestyle Championships to be held in Sort, Spain, in July.

Ben came third in the Junior Men's category (under-18s) and is now confirmed as being part of the Great Britain team.

JH

Great start in cup for Windsor bowls team

THE first WBA Cup game saw Windsor travelling to Cadroxton where they came away with a resounding win by 86 shots to 56.

Conditions were not easy for both sides on a heavy green, so it was a particularly pleasing win.

Rink scores: S. Thomas, T. White, M. Ellard, E. Thorne, M. Hope and D. Turnbull 20-13; M. Matthews, P. Gooding, I. Paterson and M. Woodcock 25-10; J. Follen, D. Rees, M. Stevens and G. Carlisle 27-9; C. Lewis, D. Hales, C. D. Rees and R. Flitney 15-16.

PM

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Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg hockey team crowned Welsh Champions



YSGOL Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg Year 7 girls have become Welsh Champions for hockey under-12s when the team competed in Newtown in the Welsh Hockey Tournament recently.

It was a historic day for the team, as they beat every other team to win their deserved title.

During the tournament, the under-12 team competed against Monmouth, Howells, Llandeilo Ferwallt, Y Berwyn and Bro Dinefwr. Not only did they win every game, they also defended well, as no goal was scored against them – a great achievement at this level of competition.

Their coach, Bethan Price, who also led her football team to glory last year as Welsh champions, has recently coached another football team to become Cardiff and the Vale champions as well, after competing against 26 teams in the county.

On the hockey success, Bethan said: "We always encourage everyone to play and participate in every sport in the department. This year, we have four girls' teams and one boys' team in year-7, which is amazing! In this competition, we had a very strong team of girls and they played excellently on the day – they truly deserved their victory, and we're very proud of all of them."

HL

Barry and District Ladies Skittles League - final tables

DIVISION 1 (Game points followed by roll points):

Sea View Gals 38, 165; Bakers Dozen 38, 154; Cigar Ladies 36, 150; Pila Pala 35, 144; Coppers 33, 146; Cadoxton Con Fillies 25, 118; Space Finders 24, 118; Allsorts 23, 118; La Bells 22, 120; Special Angels 22, 119; Family & Friends 19, 107; Barry Stars 18, 103; Family Affair 17, 121; Fallen Angels 12, 108.

Division 2:
Challengers 38, 140; Breakaways 34, 131; Red Admiral 32, 144; Rugby Triers 30, 138; Colcot Ladies 26, 135; Witchill Weebies 24, 127; Persuaders 20, 129; Rhosse Starlights 20, 115; Bobby's Girls 18, 115; Roller Coasters 18, 107; Clickies 18, 94; Airways Angels 16, 94; Bandits 16, 80.

Division 3:
Etcetera 34, 140; Vixens 32, 139; Westenders 28, 116; Off the Rails 26, 150; Up Town Girls 26,

127; Hillbillies 24, 122; Little Devils 23, 109; Liberals 22, 128; Sea View Ladies 22, 122; Dolly Mixtures 20, 111; Witchill Widows 20, 93; Merry Makers 17, 102; Witches 16, 91.

Division 4:
Livin on a Spare 38, 169; Boozy Birds 35, 154; Odd Bodds 29, 137; Bimbo's 26, 107; Little Misfits 26, 97; Nite Outers 25, 123; Twilights 24, 138; Witchill Wanderers 24, 130; Rebels 23, 107; Optimists 18, 113; Hell Raisers 16, 99; Solcialites 16, 74; Aristocats 8, 68.

The AGM will be held on June 10 at 8pm at Cadoxton Conservative Club - anything you would like to bring up please put in writing and send to a committee member 10 days before date of the AGM.

HB

Edward lands 50th winner

ABERTHIN'S Edward Vaughan (11), has set a record by riding the winners of some 50 pony races.

At the Golden Valley Hunt Point-To-Point Steeplechases at the Weston, Bredwardine on May 18, Edward, son of Tim and Abbey Vaughan, won both the 138cms open pony race and the 148cms open pony race, which brought his career total of wins to 50.

In the former, his nine-year-old bay mare *Little Replacement* easily beat *Dough Boy* who, ridden by Marc de La Sayette (13), had come all the way from Cambridge with high hopes of success.

In the 148cms race, riding his eight-year-old grey mare *White Water*, Edward beat Lucy Aspell, the 11-year-old daughter of winning Grand National jockey, Leighton Aspell, who was riding *Tiny Dancer*.

Edward said: "It is so exciting winning these races, held at point-to-points throughout the country and I have also ridden winners in Ireland."

Driving home from the races, Edward's father, Tim, heard that his *Dovil's Date* had won the opening conditional jockeys' handicap hurdle at Uttoxeter. One of only two 10-year-olds in the race, the other was the runner-up *Eddy*. *Dovil's Date*, the 11-4 favourite, was ridden by Charlie Price who rode his first ever double when taking the closing handicap hurdle on *Twycross Warrior*, which beat the Evan Williams-trained *Biscay Bay*.

Charlie is also a leading Arabian horse racing jockey and it is hoped he will get more rides now that he is more noticed.

Bridgeend builder Roger Willcox was greeted with racegoers singing 'Happy

Birthday' to him in the winners' enclosure after his *Patrickton Boru*, which he owns in partnership with Bill Corrigan, had won the ladies' open race under Jodie Hughes. Roger, who was celebrating his 70th birthday, admitted to having a nice bet on his horse, which won by seven lengths from *Chu Chu Percy*.

In the men's open race, *Green Winter* ridden by Zac Baker got home by a short head from the odds-on *Now Ben*, ridden by Alex Edwards. Wales's Ben Jones won the restricted on the French-bred *Beni Light* and the club members on *Midnight Folie*. Both are trained in Tenby by Amber Mathias and the latter was Ben's 19th winner of the season.

Just two horses went to post for the farmers' race the odds-on *Buffalo Sabre* and 14-year-old *Galbally King*, and it was the latter which won by three lengths after the pair had jumped the last fence together. Well ridden by Paul Sankey, who was carrying 10lb overweight and was chalking up his first winner, Paul is rather tall for a jockey as he is 6ft 7ins in his socks!

Merthyr Mawr's Jack Tudor riding *Quite Remarkable* finished five lengths behind *Cashmoll* in the mares and fillies race, but Jack who has been in tremendous form this season, had a double at the Dulverton West Foxhounds meeting at Bratton Down in Devon on Sunday with *Jack Seniargues* (open maiden) and *North George* (mixed open). Both are trained by his father Jonathan Tudor, who has also been sending out winners left, right and centre. Cowbridge's Byron Moorcroft won the intermediate race on Luke Price's *Matts Legacy*.

Brian Lee

Maesteg Celtic under-14s just fall short in cup final



ON a glorious sunny day at the Gnoll Rugby ground, home of Neath RFC, a large crowd gathered to watch the Ospreys under-14s Cup final between close rivals Maesteg Celtic and Tondur.

Tondur kicked off into a stiff breeze, and with Celtic failing to control the ball, they immediately got into the game, setting up a series of driving mauls and exerting strong pressure from the off.

This continued for a long period and only a brave and strong defensive effort from Celtic kept Tondur out.

Celtic simply could not get any possession of note and appeared to be a little bit flat, which is unlike them, while Tondur were very much up for it.

The pressure told and following another phase of attacks, Tondur scored wide out, to take the lead at 5-0. The game became quite scrappy with frequent resets at the scrum and Celtic being penalised on numerous occasions for offside

at set pieces.

Tondur maintained the pressure throughout the first half, with Celtic having little opportunity to release their dangerous backs. They relied on determined defence and good relieving touch kicks, but even with a lack of possession and territory, Celtic kept themselves in the game at half-time with the score still at 5-0.

The second half continued to show Tondur dominating possession, particularly at the lineout.

Celtic raised their spirits and produced some fine counter-attacks from deep, with wingers Rhys Cahill and Ethan Morris making lots of ground. Tondur came back with some strong and direct running, and eventually the pressure told through two tries in quick succession which dented Celtic's hopes.

To their credit, they fought back with another fine movement down the left which saw Rhys Cahill sprint clear for a fine try, which went unconverted.

However, not to let Celtic have

the last word, Tondur finished strongly following some powerful runs from Sam Creber, which set up a nicely-worked try for the left wing, to make the final score Tondur 24, Celtic 5.

Tondur fully deserved the win – they played very well – while Celtic will be disappointed with their performance on the day, but can be very pleased with their season overall, having lost only four matches, and winning the prestigious Amsterdam tournament last month.

Many thanks to head coach Luke Richards and his support team for all their hard work and commitment this season.

To all the players in the squad, it's been a pleasure to see how much they have developed over the season both as a team and as individual players, and to the parents and supporters who have played a major part in this very successful and enjoyable season.

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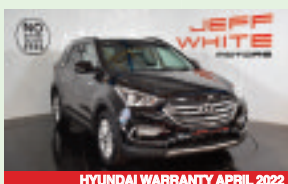
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YMCA Barry success in British Championships



Azaria Karim - Elite Grade 4.



Millie Williams - Elite Grade 3.

YMCA Barry gymnasts Millie Williams and Azaria Karim recently competed in the Welsh Elite Grading Championships and due to their high performances, they both qualified to represent Wales at the British Elite Grade Championships.

Eight-year-old Azaria competed in the youngest age group, Elite compulsory Grade 4. This was the first time she had competed in a British competition and she performed with great maturity for her age and learnt a great deal from the experience.

After competing five extremely complex routines, Azaria was ranked 27th in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. In the range and conditioning routine, a sequence designed to test a young gymnast's strength and flexibility, Azaria was placed 10th.

Out of 13 teams, Wales were fifth. This was a fantastic achievement for Azaria at such a young age and her personal coach, Sophie Erickson.

In the Elite Compulsory 3 category, nine-year-old Millie Williams had upgraded her skills level tremendously and completed hugely complicated routines. Millie, who trains with the Welsh Elite Academy, held her nerve and had a phenomenal competition. Against the best in Britain in her age group she was sixth on beam, fifth on range and conditioning, fifth on bars and she became the vault and floor British champion.

In the overall category with all five apparatus combined, Millie took silver.

Wales became the British Team Champions for Elite Grade 3 – a tremendous achievement for Millie, Wales and YMCA Barry.

YMCA Barry gymnastics have a limited amount of space in classes and provide gymnastics for children and young people of all abilities, from beginners to international elite gymnasts. For more information, call 01446 724000, email sophie@ymcabarry.org.uk or follow on social media @ymcabarry.

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Ospreys Cup glory for Bridgend Sports under-12s



THE season came down to this one match, the Ospreys District D final, which saw Bridgend Sports under-12s take on one of their biggest rivals, the Valley Ravens.

The sun was shining at the Gnoll, Neath, and as the supporters were gathering, the nervous

tension built.

However, with the pre-match formalities completed, the young players from both sides had the chance to absorb the unique atmosphere of the day.

It was a nervous start for both sides as they fought out a very tight and tense first half. The Sports dominated territory, but the Ravens had most of the ball. Both

defences were excellent.

Halfway through the first half the Sports gathered their composure to set up some good phases. The forwards carried towards the Ravens line. Dan Harris was held short and Gruff Roberts picked up and dived over for the first try of the game. Jack Spurduty was unlucky with the conversion, 5-0.

The Ravens came back strong as expected and levelled the score on the stroke of half-time with the final play of the first half as they broke through and scored in the corner. The conversion hit the post and it was all square at half-time.

With a large squad the Sports were able to add fresh legs to the XV with seven changes on a very warm day and on a wide Gnoll pitch. This was to prove decisive.

The second half started as closely fought as the first, but as confidence grew, the game was becoming more open.

The Sports backs were getting plenty of ball and Evan Keepins cleverly popped the ball up to Ben Evans, who has been outstanding throughout the season with his attacks.

He managed to break through a couple of tackles and with his pace was able to outrun the Ravens defence and score in the corner. Jack Spurduty converted for a 12-5 lead.

The third and final try was the best of the day. The forwards carried and presented good quick

ball and it was passed all the way along the back line for Wil Davies to score a cracking try in the corner. Jack Spurduty again converted for a 19-5 lead.

The Ravens tried in vain to get back into the game, but the Sports' defence held its own to snuff out any attack.

With the final whistle blown it was brilliant to see the players celebrate. Great credit must also go to the Valley Ravens for their excellent effort and great sportsmanship at the end of the game as all Ravens players and coaches congratulated the Sports players to uphold the fine traditions and values of this great sport.

The final was a great advert for rugby with excellent rugby on display. Every player put maximum effort and commitment into the game.

The forwards were physical, carried well and rucked as a unit. The backs kept their composure, held a good defensive line and passed out wide.

Bridgend Sports RFC are immensely proud of what the side has achieved not just at the final but throughout the season.

The squad are now looking forward to under-13s rugby next season.

SP

Runaway win for new member Alun at St Mary's

IN bright sunshine, an excellent turnout of 37 members of St Mary's golf Club senior section took to the fairways for an individual Stableford competition.

Full advantage was taken of the perfect scoring conditions with, in particular, new member Alun Powell once again demolishing the course with a remarkable score

of 43 points.

His nearest challenger, Jeff Perkins, also bettered par with a return of 38 points, two more than Hugh Williams and Ray Stacey, who finished on a tie for third at 36 points.

Williams did manage to steal some of the accolades from Powell by bagging a birdie two on the par three seventh and an even rarer bird with an eagle two on the 230 yard par four 16th.

NL

Archie starts summer tennis season in style!



DINAS Powys LTC junior member Archie Gray has had a great start to the summer tennis season.

April saw Archie become the new British number 1 at 10-and-under and the month started well with him winning his first GB national singles title on the clay in south west London. This was followed a week later with a repeat performance on the indoor acrylic at Loughborough University where Archie dropped just seven games in six matches in securing his second national title.

The second week of the Easter holidays saw Archie playing closer to home at the Penarth Windsor Regional Grade 3 tournament where he took both the 10-and-under and 12-and-under singles titles.

This was closely followed by another 12-and-under county title at Bath University.

Playing at number one, Archie then won both his singles matches for south Wales 10-and-under in a friendly county match against a strong Berkshire team at Dinas Powys.

DPLTC also provided two further members of the team with Takunda

Muzurwi and Jemima Dean.

Archie will represent south Wales again at the County Cup qualifying event at Corby Tennis Centre, when south Wales will compete against five other counties for the prize of a trip to Sunderland for the National Finals.

These titles are rich reward for the hours of training at his home base, Dinas Powys LTC, with head coach Rob Walbyoff and the weekly trips to Swansea and Bath where he will put in a couple of hours of on court training with regional squads before a further hour of strength and conditioning work.

It's great to see Dinas Powys LTC hosting junior representative matches and the huge amount of support on the day is much appreciated by the players. The members were treated to some high-quality tennis.

It's also great to see more of our juniors testing themselves by competing in tournaments away from the club and the large numbers having fun on court every Saturday morning under the watchful eye of Rob.

DG

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Mixed weekend for Sully Centurions' cricket teams

WITH several players once again missing for a variety of reasons, Sully Centurions had another mixed weekend in the South East Wales Cricket league.

The first XI made the short trip to Dinas Powys and chalked up a second successive victory.

Batting first, openers Rhett Jones (53) and Lloyd Bruce (39) put on 73 for the first wicket. The runs kept coming, with half-centuries for Tom Davies and Dan Chaulk and 47 for Calum Thomas. Alfie Lee (15) and Gareth Thomas (18) helped push the score past the 300 mark for the loss of five wickets.

The home side's bowlers shared the wickets around, with Marlow (1 for 35 off 9 overs) posting the best figures.

After tea, Centurions took two early

wickets, having both Dinas openers back in the pavilion with 37 runs on the board. In spite of some decent middle order performances from Todd-Bennett (44) Wingren (27) and skipper Mitchell (31) the Sully bowlers had the upper hand.

The Dinas Powys tail end stubbornly held on, denying Centurions maximum bowling points, but two wickets each for Nathan Cuddihy, Harish Hirani and Alfie Lee, with one wicket each for Lloyd Bruce and Gareth Thomas secured the victory.

Dinas Powys 227-8, Sully Centurions 307-5.

The second XI entertained Dinas seconds in the reverse fixture at Burnham Avenue and, with a much-depleted team, lost by seven wickets.

Sully batted first and opener Jason Hicks hung around for a well-made 52 not out,

providing the foundation for a gutsy performance with the bat.

Although Centurions batted out the 40 overs, the total of 158 for 7 always looked as though it was about 20 runs short.

In reply, in spite of losing Lewis with the score on just 13, the visitors soon got into their stride. Mitchell (44), Bennet (26) and Smith (36) did the job for Dinas and the target was reached with three overs to spare for the loss of just three wickets.

Sully Centurions second XI 158-7, Dinas Powys second XI 159-3.

This weekend the first XI travel to Newport, while the second XI host Vale second XI at Burnham Avenue. All players are asked to contact their respective captains with details of their availability.

MF

Cadoxton Bowls Club round-up

CADOXTON Bowls Club's first match of the season in the Munro Cup was played at home against Belle Vue, and once again there were two winning rinks and two losers.

Derek Jeffries skipped his rink to an early 8-3 advantage after six ends, but unfortunately only managed four further wins to lose by four shots.

Mike Hurley skipped his rink against Malcolm Thomas playing with a man short. This was a tight encounter with the advantage changing each end in the early stages. However, the home side collected a '4' on the eighth end to open a 9-4 supremacy.

The remaining ends were shared but a '4' on the final end produced a win for the home side.

Don Kuhnell came up against skip Trevor Ford, who revelled in the heavy going. The fifth end brought the first score to the home side and they trailed 9-1, after eight ends.

The second part brought some improvement, scoring eight shots with six against, losing the rink but giving a chance to save the match.

Howard Craven's rink brought the second winning rink. They shared the first 10 ends with their opposition but a '6' against left them trailing 7-11.

However they fought back with five successes including a '5' during the final eight ends, which ensured a five shot success on the rink and the match overall.

Scores: E Heppenstall, G Goddard, W Craven, H Craven 18, D Booth, P Bagnell, B Roberts, B Bagnell 13; E Davies, J Papoutsou, S Clarke, D Jeffries 13, F Keen, D Pappit, D Huntley, P Paterson 17; D Tuck, A Prince, J Davies, M Hurley 20, D Smith, P Millar, M Thomas 10; J Stacey, D Jenkins, I Heppenstall, D Kuhnell 9, D Bradley, G Ford, R Brent, T Ford 15. **Final score:** 60-55.

The Carruthers Shield fixture with Windsor ended in a home defeat for Cadoxton.

Howard Craven continued his winning streak with a good success

DK

Disappointing week for the Sully bowlers

ON a week when at least half the normal side where unavailable for various reasons, Sully Bowls Club still managed to play two matches with a full complement of players, some playing their first-ever games.

On Wednesday, Llantwit Major were the visitors in the first Munro Cup game of the season. It was as if the Villagers wanted to throw the game with three of the four rinks going six ends before bothering the score card. It was a 30-shot gap which was never closed

but at least it didn't get worse. A good example of the night was the rink of B Curtis, P Neale, K Mahoney and M Hardy who where 0-11 down on seven ends and came back to only lose by two, 14-16.

The P Neathercote, R Fitzjohn, T Murphy, and D Curtis rink, 0-16 down on seven ends, came back to 14-23; D Lougher, J Hubbard, H Thomas, D Edwards were 1-10 down on six and finished 10-23, with D Curtin, B Dascombe, HL Jones and J Pryer, A Smith, B Griffiths 16-36, for a final score of 48-136.

This week's fixtures are away to Ogmere Vale on Saturday.

TM

Barry Central enjoy international flavour!

AFTER previously having entertained the Zimbabwean bowlers, both ladies and men's section returned to the normal league fixtures.

However, on the Tuesday, when the ladies two rink team were playing away to Rectory Road, Penarth, the men's team played host to two further international squads as the club provided training facilities for players from Jersey and Israel.

In the meantime, the ladies won both of the rink matches with scores of 20-14 and 16-13.

Unfortunately, their match due to be played on the Thursday against Gilfach Goch was called off, with their opponents being unable to field a team.

The men's team, as stated in the club's last report, started the season with a Carruthers Shield match away against

Rhoose.

Playing on an artificial surface will, and does, present many problems for visiting teams and this proved to be the case for the Central team.

However, the rink skipped by Gary Goldthorpe did pull off a very pleasing win, with two further rinks giving a good account of themselves.

During the ensuing week, the men's team again travelled to Rhoose on Wednesday, to play in the Munro Cup competition.

Once again, with a slightly weaker team, Central had to face its second defeat. The ladies team during the week played two further matches. On Tuesday, playing at home, they faced a very strong Murch team, finally ending the match losing on both rinks.

The ladies followed this by travelling to Llanbradach on the

Thursday. By winning, quite convincingly on one rink, with the second rink unfortunately losing, the ladies won, by virtue of having a greater collective points score.

On the Saturday, the men's team was due to play against Bridgend Bowling Club in the Carruthers Shield at home, but once again there were difficulties in raising a team.

This has resulted in a very slow start to the season for the men's team, with only two matches played since the season started. Good use was made of the afternoon, with a number of club competitions taking place.

It is hoped that the final Carruthers match, being played at Gladstone Gardens, against Aberkenfig will take place.

BC

Barrivale Bridge Club latest news

THE latest results from Barrivale Bridge Club in the Championship Pairs Session 2 on Tuesday, May 14 are as follows:

First, Sean MacDougall and Lyn Matthews, 62.50 per cent; second, Mark Roderick and Mike Best, 62.08; third, Irene Thomas and Kay Dyer, 55.42.

The handicap winners were Sean and Lyn.

New members at the club are

welcome and a partner may be arranged, if required. Call 01446 418380, 01446 733425, 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry at 7pm on Tuesday evening.

Players inexperienced or new to bridge continue to play on Fridays at 10am at the Pioneer Hall for lessons and assisted play, and on Thursdays for assisted play from 1.30pm-4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry CF634AP.

LH

The Barry & District League tables and results

SKITTLES DIVISION 1:

Barries Boys 5, West End D 2; Allsorts 2, Barry Town FC 5; Rhoose Social B 7, Liberals A 0; Sea View Exiles 5, Rhoose Social A 2.

Final table: Sea View Exiles 139.5, West End D 136.5, West End C 133.0, Allsorts 125.5, Barry Town FC 121.0, Rhoose Social C 113.0, Rhoosters 108.5, King William XII 107.5, Rugby Club 103.5, Slammers 100.0, Barries Boys 98.5, Rhoose Social A 95.0, Rhoose Social B 92.5, Liberals C 77.5, Liberals A 69.0, Cambrian Flyers 52.5.

SNOOKER DIVISION 1:

Penarth Cons A 1, Cadoxton Cons Z 4; Rhoose Social B 2, Liberals 3; Harbour B 4, Savoy A 1; Market Street B 0, West End C 5; Cadoxton Cons B 2, Cadoxton Wildcats 0.

League table: West End C 111, Savoy A 101, Harbour B 94, Cadoxton Cons Z 82, Wyndham Cons A 80,

Cadoxton Cons B 76, Penarth Cons A 60, *Liberators 54, Rhoose Social B 52, *Cadoxton Wildcats 44, Market Street B 38.

SNOOKER DIVISION 2:

Rhoose Social C 5, West End B 0; West End A 3, Harbour A 2; Sully Sports A 3, Market Street C 2; Cadoxton Cons A 1, Wyndham Cons D 4; Services Social B 3, Penarth Cons B 2.

League table: Rhoose Social C 91, Savoy B 90, Cadoxton Cons A 79, Penarth Cons B 79, Market Street C 77, *Services Social B 77, Wyndham Cons D 68, Harbour A 63, West End A 62, Sully Sports A 53, West End B 44 (* = points deducted).

View all results and league tables at barryleagues.co.uk.

JW

Barry and District Mens Skittles League results

ALAN Rosser Cup, semi-finals:

Merrymen beat Billy Whizz; 49ers beat Sea View.

Gary Mitchell Cup semi-finals:

Ex Servicemen beat Glenbrook Flyers; Abercrete beat Billy Bluebirds.

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